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Assessment inevitable?

An appeal in North Huntingdon might force Westmoreland to act.

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GREENSBURG – A multi-million dollar appeal of property values of a North Huntingdon shopping plaza could be the linchpin that triggers a reassessment in Westmoreland County.

The appeal filed Tuesday by the owners of Norwin Towne Square contends that tax assessments of the property are unfair and violate the state constitution.

"The assessments lack uniformity," according to the appeal.

Uniformity is the buzz word used in a state Supreme Court ruling this year that found that Allegheny County's assessments are outdated. The court ruled that Allegheny County's assessments violated the uniformity clause in the state constitution. As a result, the court ordered a reassessment in Allegheny County.

"It's the first step," Westmoreland County Solicitor R. Mark Gesalman said of the shopping plaza appeal. "Given what happened in Allegheny County, it is indicative of what somebody could raise here."

The appeal asks Westmoreland County Judge Daniel Ackerman to reduce the assessments for each of the plaza's six parcels, which are valued by the county at $2.28 million. The plaza owners pay nearly $226,000 a year in taxes, according to county records.

On Sept. 30, the county's assessment appeals board

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Lawsuit possible in dog attack

One victim said she has moved out of her North Belle Vernon home.

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NORTH BELLE VERNON – The victim of a dog attack came to council Tuesday to explain why she is considering a suit against the borough.

Resident Kim Gido told council she feels alienated since she, her husband, John, and their small, white Maltese, Holly, were maimed by a 100-pound American bulldog owned by resident Joe Naylor.

"How I feel is everybody turned their backs towards me," she said.

According to police, John Gido was walking his two small dogs Aug. 29 near his Speer Street home, across the street from the municipal building and police department, when Naylor's unattended dog attacked them.

Public works employee William Campbell was at the borough garage about a block away when a resident told him about the attack.

Campbell fought off the dog until police Chief James Bedsworth fatally shot the animal after repeated attacks.

John Gido was bitten on his right hand while he tried to protect his dogs, and his wife was bitten on her arm and back. Their dog was maimed.

Bedsworth said the incident was the third since July involving attacks by Naylor's dog on animals or their owners.

At a Sept. 8 council meeting, Bedsworth said Naylor had received nine citations stemming from the three attacks.

In the first attack, Naylor's dog attacked another dog.

In the second – which took place six days before the Gido incident – Naylor's dog allegedly bit Speer Street resident David Widmer as he was walking his dog near his home.

Bedsworth said last month that at the time of the incident Naylor's dog was not properly confined and did not have a license or rabies vaccinations.

The borough has been without an animal control officer for three years.

Calls were being taken by the Fayette County Humane Society.

Kim Gido accused council of not taking precautions after the first attack and said council members have shown her little compassion since the incident.

"I wish all of you here would look into my eyes and see how much damage the mayor, council and the police department have done to my family financially and emotionally," she said.

Gido said she and her husband have $25,000 in medical bills related to their

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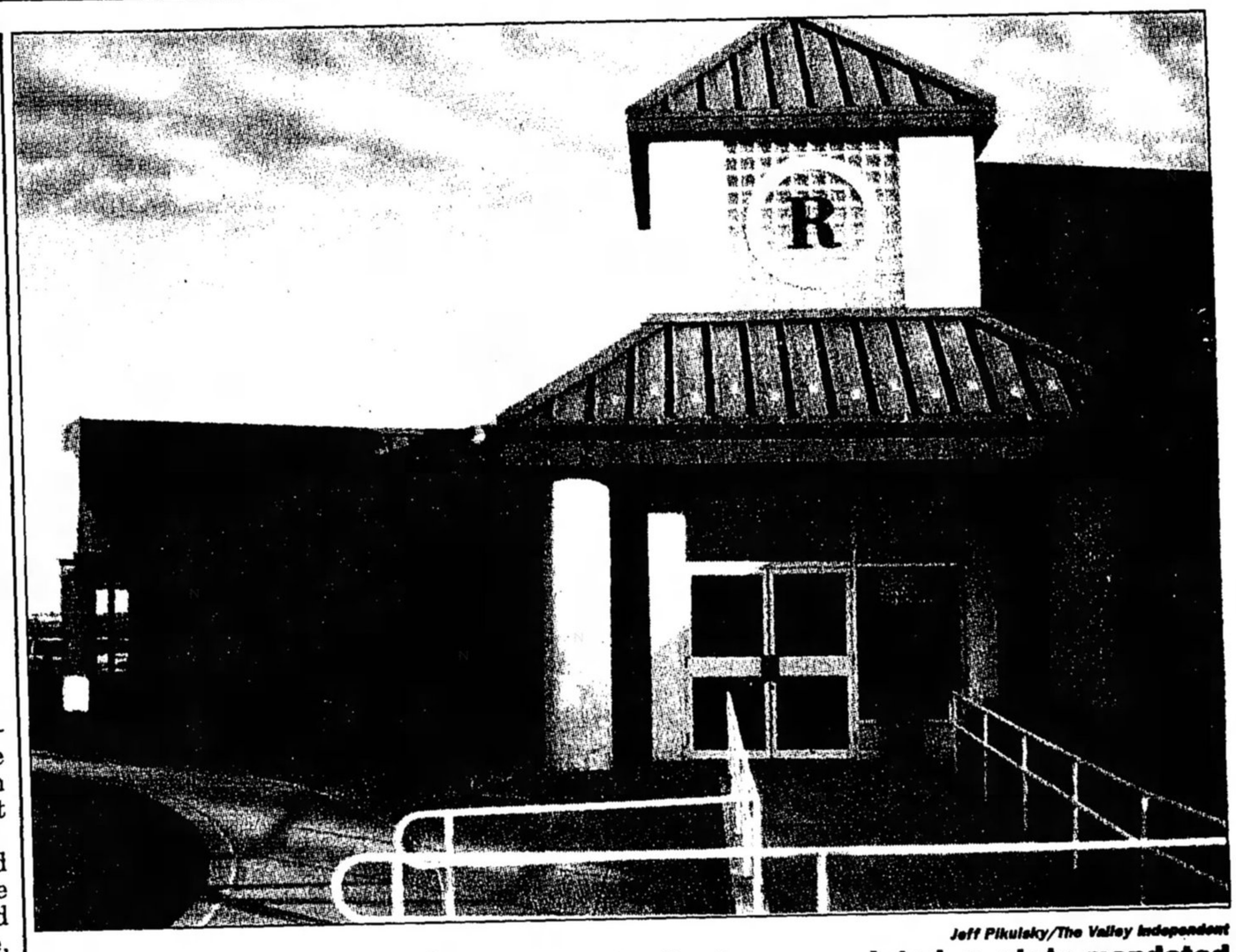

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The Rostraver Township Sewage Authority has completed a state-mandated sewer system, and that has led to bigger bills for residents.

Rostraver sewage bills shock Clair Manor pair

The authority chairman said customers should check for leaks.

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ROSTRAVER TOWNSHIP – A couple of Clair Manor neighbors said they were shocked when they opened their latest sewage bills.

Craig Apessos said he was dumfounded when the monthly bill he opened a few days ago was $318.

"I was shocked," he said. "It jumped to $60 and I figured, 'Well, we knew this was going to happen.' Low and behold, three or four months later, bam, we got this big one."

Apessos' neighbor, Jim Blair, said he, too, was amazed by his bill.

"All of a sudden, boom! We've got a $160 bill," he said. "I can afford it, but there's a heck of a lot of people it's really going to impact. And, it's not just Clair Manor."

Before the sewage project, Clair Manor residents had used a privately owned sewage system and treatment plant installed about 40 years ago.

Blair and Apessos said they had paid about $22 a month until the township installed the new, state-mandated system.

Construction on the $33 million system ended three months ago.

Customers began receiving bills about five months ago.

Sewage authority Chairman Dennis Manown said customers are billed $60 a month for the first two months of each quarter.

In the third month, customers are billed the $60, plus water usage, which is an extra $5.75 for every 1,000 gallons in excess of 9,000, Manown said.

The $60 charge goes toward repaying loans for the project.

Apessos said the last major use of water at his home came when he had to drain and refill his pool when work was done in his yard near Memorial Day.

"I don't know why that would have been reflected in this bill and if it was," he said.

Apessos said he was not warned that he would be receiving one larger bill every three months.

> "We had two public meetings. We had letters that were sent out to them. Before they got their first bill, everybody was notified."
>
> DENNIS MANOWN
> SEWAGE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN

"What I'm thinking is, this was based on my second- or third-quarter usage of water," he said. "That's what I'm anticipating, but still, $318 bucks? However you paint it, whatever brush you use, the color is ridiculous."

Manown said customers received fair warning about the rate structure.

"We had two public meetings," he said. "We had

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Forward couple robbed in their home

The armed invaders bound them to chairs and made away with $68,000.

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FORWARD TOWNSHIP – Three men bound and robbed an older couple after forcing their way into the couple's home early Tuesday, police said.

Glen Dyer, 78, and his wife, Margaret, 77, were leaving the basement door of their home on Church Hollow Road about 6:30 a.m. when three armed men confronted them, Forward police Sgt. Glenn Fine said.

The men forced the couple back inside, bound Glen Dyer to a chair with plastic zipcuffs and forced his wife to show them where there were safes with money inside.

The suspects forced Margaret Dyer to open the safes and removed about $68,000 from the couple's savings and their metalworking business next door, Dyer Industries Inc., Fine said.

They bound her to another chair with duct tape and fled into nearby woods, Fine said.

Margaret Dyer was able to free herself and phone her grandsons working next door, Fine said. They then called police.

Glen Dyer is partially disabled and sleeps on the lower level of the home. He uses a golf cart near the basement door to travel around the house to a garage on the upper level, Fine said. He and his wife were stepping out to use the cart when they were accosted, police said.

No suspects have been identified, Fine said. The assailants wore dark hooded sweatshirts, ski masks and gloves.

No one was available at Dyer Industries to comment on the robbery.

VALLEY PEOPLE

Sleep apnea often cause of accidents

Safety investigators want to screen commercial operators.

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Safety investigators have sent government agencies a wake-up call about sleep apnea, a disorder that's showing up in a wide range of transportation accidents.

The National Transportation Safety Board said Tuesday that commercial truck and bus drivers and merchant ship pilots should be screened for sleep apnea. The board made similar recommendations for airline pilots and train operators earlier this year.

In letters to the Coast Guard and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, the board recommended requiring medical examiners to question drivers and ship pilots about the disorder and to develop programs to identify the problem.

Sleep apnea has been found to be a factor in incidents involving every transportation mode, NTSB Chairman Deborah Hersman said in the letters.

The board has sent similar recommendations to the Federal Aviation Administration and to local transit agencies across the country.

Among the incidents cited in the letters:

■ In January 2008, a motorcoach carrying passengers returning from a weekend ski trip went too fast around a curve on a rural Utah highway.

The bus went careening down a mountainside, killing nine people and injuring 43 others. The driver suffered from sleep apnea and had trouble using a device to regulate his breathing while sleeping in the days before the accident.

■ The same month, two go! airlines pilots conked out for at least 18 minutes during a midmorning flight from Honolulu to Hilo, Hawaii, as their plane continued to cruise past its destination and out to sea. Air traffic controllers were finally able to raise the pilots, who turned the plane around with its 40 passengers and landed it safely.

Yesteryear

This photo of the officers and trustees of the former Slovak Home in Monessen was taken in the 1940s. Seated, from left, are Louis Reday, Andrew B. Benyak, John Kotch, Joseph Check and Stephen Cirner; standing, John Anderskovich, Steve Gaydos, Milan Pettko, Joseph Bill, John Krupa and Henry Dragan. The photo was submitted by Rosemary Betza.

Weather

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High 71	High 63	High 62	High 51	High 59
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letters that were sent out to them. Before they got their first bill, everybody was notified."

Manown said he believes the two large bills are accurate.

"They're paying the same exact thing that everybody else is paying out there," he said.

"It seems to me that the guy with the $300 (bill) has got some kind of a problem in his house; some kind of a water line break or a leaky commode. My son is single. He paid $275 for one quarter because he had a leaky commode.

"If I got a $160 or $300 sewage bill, you better believe I'd be looking into it. There are very few bills over $100. That's rare."

Manown said there have been few complaints since bills went out.

"I'll bet you, up at the sewage office, we haven't had five or 10 at the most, people questioning it," he said.

"You have two unhappy customers," Manown said of Apessos and Blair. "I'm not saying the others are happy, but they're accepting it."

Most of the roughly 3,000 customers using the system do not exceed the minimum 9,000 gallons for water use, Manown said.

He said some larger families will exceed the mark and pay a little extra once water usage is included.

"Myself and my wife are using like 19,000 gallons for a quarter," Manown said.

About 1,000 customers in West Fellsburg and Collinsburg pay only a $35 flat rate because they previously paid $4,800 fees that covered tap-ins and front footage assessments.

"We have some people that end up with a leak and they don't know about it," Manown said. "You'd be surprised what that would do."

Manown said people with questions about their bills should call the water authority at (724) 930-7667.

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Uniontown	Oct 27	2:00 - 4:00	First Niagra Bank Bldg. (Central City)
Uniontown	Oct 27	6:30 - 8:30	VFW #47
Dunbar	Oct 28	6:30 - 8:30	Community Center
Masontown	Oct 29	6:30 - 8:30	VFW
Farmington	Nov 5	6:30 - 8:30	Wharton Mun. Building
Normalville/Mill Run	Nov 10	6:30 - 8:30	Springfield Fire Dept.
Perryopolis	Nov 11	6:30 - 8:30	Perry Fire Hall

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rejected a bid by the owners to lower the property values.

Norwin Towne Square, located on Route 30, has struggled in recent years to attract new businesses to replace shuttered shops. The plaza has yet to find a tenant for a former grocery store. Several other storefronts remain empty.

While the appeal addresses only the shopping plaza, officials suggested that wording in the court documents could allow a judge to make a ruling that affects all county assessments.

"It would depend on the scope of their case," Gesalman said.

County commissioners have long conceded that Westmoreland's assessments are out of date. Westmoreland last canvassed the county in 1972 and has the fifth-oldest assessments in the state.

"This isn't unexpected," said Ted Kopas, chief of staff to Commissioner Tom Balya.

Commissioners have yet to authorize a reassessment, saying they would rather wait for direction from the state Legislature as to how it would be conducted and financed.

This month, though, commissioners took a pre-emptive step toward a potential reassessment. They hired an Ohio company for more than $691,000 to digitize more than 240,000 index cards that contain property assessment records.

The company is expected to submit an cost estimate for a reassessment.

County officials have in the past predicted that could cost $6 million to $12 million.

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injuries.

"We were informed by the medical insurance company that they are not paying, and we are receiving bills from the hospital and doctors," she said. "They can't believe nobody can do anything to Mr. Naylor. ... He's gotten away with it.

"I can't even go to treatment, because I can't afford it. My husband's finger is damaged. He wants to cut down on his doctor's visits, and I'm worried about him getting an infection in his finger because of his cancer. My dog has to wear a collar because of the wound on her side.

"There have been council members and police telling me to sue the borough and police department for negligence. I will not say who. You have all treated me like I'm a nothing. John and I have moved from our beautiful home that is located across the street. I had to move out with my family, because I can't look over here at you. I can't look over here at the Naylors."

Council recently received a letter from Gido's attorney, Herman Bigi, of Charleroi, indicating that a lawsuit would be filed against the borough.

Borough solicitor Mark Ramsier directed council not to comment publicly about the incident.

"With all due respect to you, I don't want you to feel that council is evading you. They are acting on my instruction," Ramsier told Kim Gido.

"Which I think is terrible," Gido replied.

Councilman Craig Ambrose said he extended his sympathy to the Gidos after the attack.

"I take offense," Ambrose said. "I walked over and talked to you and asked how you felt and everything. That's the only time that I've ever seen you, and you're saying that we all turned our backs on you?

"I can't remember the last time I've seen a dog running loose in this town, and I've lived here all my life. That is the only major dog-biting case. I wish it stayed at zero."

Gido claimed Councilman Brett Berish avoided her at a wedding reception after the attack.

"Ms. Gido, I'm sorry that you feel that way. That hurts me. ... We weren't there that long. There were a few people I didn't speak to at that wedding," Berish said.

"I know you're emotional, and you should be," Mayor Ed Lyons told Gido. "I could say a couple things, but you are assuming nothing is being done. We are tremendously sorry about what happened to you, and there isn't anybody turning their backs to you."

Gido's relative, Deborah Bujdos, of Rostraver Township, said she has researched the state dog laws.

Bujdos said a citation should have been issued after the first unprovoked attack, and a magistrate should have decided whether to label the dog vicious.

After a dog is deemed vicious, the owner must obtain a $50,000 insurance policy in the event of another attack, quarantine the dog for 10 days and take extra measures to confine it to its property, Bujdos said the law states.

"If for any reason they go outside, they have to be muzzled," she claimed of such dogs. "And that's what police should have done after the first case.

"If you do not have a real dog catcher, every single police officer is also an agent and considered to be a dog catcher, because it is unlawful for any police officer not to enforce the PA dog laws."

"If we had a dog catcher, it could have still happened," council President Dennis Simboli said. "It's a shame it did happen."

"If you followed the laws, it would have been taken care of," Bujdos said.

Bujdos claimed Naylor's dog was involved in more than three attacks.

"I have signed statements from six individuals. That dog didn't attack three times, it attacked six times, all within a period of six months," she contended. "So, the owners knew that was a dangerous dog. In this case, no one took it seriously."

Bedsworth said three incidents were reported to police.

Bujdos said there have been three animal-related citations filed at Magisterial District Judge Charles Christner's office in West Newton in the last 3 1/2 years.

"I would think that's a problem. It's like this is an animal-free community, and it's disgusting," she said.

Simboli said that in many cases, dogs found running loose were returned to their owners without incident.

Bujdos said that while she was taking pictures Sept. 19 to present to council, she saw a dog walking unattended along Broad Avenue.

"There was a big German shepherd. It almost looked like a damn coyote," she said.

"Lawsuit or no, we should be able to talk about this publicly. And I don't want to see one of my grandchildren down here with their faces ripped off, and the way that it stands right now, it's not changed."

Councilman Jason Selvoski asked why the police weren't called.

"It's not all on us. It's on the community too. People have to help us," he said.

"I called the Fayette County Humane Society," Bujdos said.

Diane Widmer, of Speer Street, said her son, David, was the victim of the second attack.

She said he was walking the family dog when Naylor's dog bit him.

"I didn't think it should have gotten to that point that there was a third attack from the same dog. I wish there was more policy thought on that. I hope you guys think about it," Diane Widmer told council.

Simboli said a Fayette County Humane Society officer came to Naylor's home after the second attack.

He claimed the officer left the Naylor's home without verifying the dog was licensed and vaccinated.

"If Fayette County would have done their job the way they were supposed to do it that night ... that dog would have been quarantined, and this would have never happened to the Gidos," Simboli said.

"I feel the borough is not responsible, but Fayette County is responsible. But, that's my opinion."

Simboli directed Berish, chairman of public safety, to look into prices for a dog catcher.

"I think everybody in this room here has a very affectionate feeling about the Gidos," Lyons said. "This is an open case for us, and we're doing everything, legally, that we can do to resolve the situation."

Attempts to reach Naylor were unsuccessful.

Valley briefs

SA accepting requests for help

Area residents interested in receiving assistance from the Salvation Army during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons need to register at the organization's Mon Valley Citadel, 308 Schoonmaker Ave., Monessen.

Registrations can be made for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. today and Thursday.

Additional registration for Christmas assistance will be accepted during regular office hours Nov. 2 to 20, Nov. 30 to Dec. 4 and Dec. 18.

Comcast to add shows, movies

Comcast Corp. will give its subscribers online access to a slate of cable TV shows and movies by the end of the year.

The nation's largest cable TV company will be the first pay-TV operator to offer the service, which aims to replicate what's available on Video on Demand.

Comcast initially will only offer in-home access to viewers who also subscribe to its Internet service. It is working to provide access over competing broadband systems, whether viewers are at home or out of the house.

Comcast will offer content from 24 cable networks, including Emmy award-winning "Entourage" from HBO and "Mad Men" from AMC.

Comcast will not charge extra for the service.

Basket drawing aids United Way

A drawing will be conducted Friday to determine the winners of six decorative gift baskets assembled by employees of *The Valley Independent* for the benefit of the annual fund drive of the Mon Valley United Way.

Tickets to become eligible to win any of the baskets will be available in the the newspaper lobby at Eastgate 19 in Monessen until the time of the drawing.

Each of the six baskets has a theme such as Steelers mania, Italian food and wine, pet favorites, autumn, Mid-Mon Valley food offerings and Halloween.

Supervalu profits tumble 42%

Grocery chain Supervalu, which supplies local Shop N Save and Foodland stores and operates a warehouse complex in New Stanton, said its fiscal second-quarter profit tumbled 42 percent.

The company said quarterly earnings amounted to $74 million, or 35 cents per share, down from $128 million, or 60 cents per share, in the same quarter last year.

Emma Jene Lelik/For The Valley Independent

Current officers of St. Mary's Ladies Guild are shown above, from left, president Ruth Hanchin, secretary Angela Golomb, treasurer Helen Panzo, vice president Agnes Popovich and spiritual director Rev. Stephen Wahal.

Monessen church group marks 60th anniversary

Emma Jene **LELIK**

Sixty years of activity, which included service to the parish and community, were observed by the Ladies Guild of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, Monessen.

The group's past events included anniversary celebrations, baked goods and piroghi sales and always - a May tribute honoring mothers and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Summer sessions included gatherings at the Prokopovich and Zolock properties in Rostraver Township, at the Circle "P" Ranch in Lover and at the chapel on the Leach grounds in Monongahela.

For years, members and their families were involved in creating biennial table displays. The public event featured dinners.

Themes of the displays were Nation's Party, Fantasy Lane, Bible Land, Progress '73 and the very popular Rose Bowl Parade and Game.

At the latter event, in 1980, president Agnes Popovich created the "Armchair Athlete" and included a bowling scene with Pittsburgh TV personality Nick Perry featured.

"When he was suspended that week for his involvement in the Pennsylvania Lottery fix, Mrs. Popovich promptly removed Perry from the display," *Greensburg Tribune-Review* reporter Joe Napsha wrote.

R. Mitchell Steen, managing editor of *The Valley Independent*, dedicated an editorial to the organization's "talents in creating specific themes and putting them on public display."

In 1984, the guild observed its 35th anniversary, which coincided with Sister Elaine Kisinko's 25th anniversaries as a nun.

Monsignor Andrew Parvensky, the pastor, observed his 70th birthday and 45th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood in 1995 - the same year the guild also recognized Sister Elaine's appointment as secretary to Archbishop Judson Procyk.

Members welcomed Bill Steltemier, president of TV station EWTN, to their May program in 1997.

Bishop Jan Semedi from Uzhorod, Ukraine, was present when the Guild celebrated its 50th anniversary.

In 2002, the organization had a joint celebration for Monsignor Parvensky's 52 years as a priest and the third anniversary of St. Vincent de Paul store in Monessen. Many guild members became early volunteers at the store and remain active today.

The 60th anniversary observance included dinner at The Alpine Club in Monessen.

Comments were offered by the Rev. Stephen Wahal, parish administrator; Deacon John Hanchin, Sister Elaine Kisinko, president Ruth Hanchin and vice president Agnes Popovich.

Popovich, who served as Guild president for 38 years, is a charter member, along with treasurer Helen Panzo.

Father Wahal offered the invocation and a guest, Sister Carol Petraovich, offered benediction. Kay Zebula lit candles for living, deceased and shut-in members.

In his remarks, Father Wahal asked members to "remember the past and look forward to the future."

He presented gifts of religious mugs to the members. Favors and holy cards at each place setting reflected the theme of the Mother of Perpetual Help.

Prizes were won by Dorothy DiNardo, Jean Adamio, Mary Ann Mollard and Angela Golomb, monetary; Deacon Hanchin, Dorothy DiNardo, Mary Ann Mollard and Irene Skoczlas, door awards.

Officers comprised the anniversary committee.

Member Joyce Seman baked the anniversary cakes.

Westmoreland eyes unified tax collection

Strategy session set tonight at county courthouse in Greensburg.

By RICH CHOLODOFSKY
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Delegates from Westmoreland County's 65 municipalities and 17 school districts will meet tonight at the courthouse in Greensburg in the first formal gathering of a newly formed committee that will oversee the unified collection of earned income taxes.

The tax committee was authorized last year by state lawmakers and Gov. Ed Rendell as a means to streamline local collections.

The group is charged with selecting one tax collector for the county rather than having each municipality and school district appoint their own.

"The committee will be responsible for selecting one tax collector for everybody," county Solicitor R. Mark Gesalman said.

Municipalities and school districts are authorized to assess earned income tax.

Beginning in 2012, that revenue will be collected from employers and sent to the newly hired tax collector, who must be in place by September 2010.

Real estate taxes currently are taken by elected tax collectors, and that won't change under the new law.

The tax committee's first task will be to elect officers, including a chairman.

That will occur tonight.

In the future, the committee will hire the tax collector, choose a solicitor and create any policy related to the new system.

The committee will not have authority to tax or have a say in how the money collected is spent. Districts apd municipalities are expected to receive the same amount they currently garner from earned income taxes.

Gesalman said the committee could be controlled by the larger communities in the county.

Under a complex weighted system devised by the state Department of Community and Economic Development, votes on the county's committee are adjusted for population and income expected from the earned income tax.

School districts account for about 49 percent of the vote.

According to that formula, Hempfield Township and the Hempfield Area School District combined will control nearly 13 percent of the votes on the committee.

The township will have 5.96 percent of the vote, while the school district accounts for a 6.83 percent voting block.

Smaller municipalities, such as Ligonier Borough, will have only token involvement in the committee.

Ligonier accounts for just 0.21 percent of the votes.

The Ligonier Valley School District will have 2.16 percent of the vote.

"We're kind of stuck because we're so small. It's not necessarily a good thing," Ligonier Mayor Ormond K. "Butch" Bellas said.

"I was hoping and praying it would stay the way it was."

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DEATH NOTICES

BONSCH — Agnesann (Mollenauer) Bonsch, 81, of Charleroi, on Monday, Oct. 19. Schrock-Hogan Funeral Home and Cremation Services Inc., Charleroi.*

CARUSO — Amelia "Millie" Caruso, of Cleveland, on Tuesday, Oct. 20. Donlon Funeral Home, Cleveland.*

FOGLIA — Margaret (Planey) Foglia, of Rostraver Township, 86, on Tuesday, Oct. 20. Leonard J. Parzynski Funeral Home, Belle Vernon.*

KRISTOBEK – Elizabeth Kristobek, 87, of New Eagle, on Wednesday, Oct. 21. Marshall Marra Funeral Home, Monongahela.

MATIANSKI — Maude M. (Richards) Matianski, 90, on Tuesday, Oct. 20. Rhome Funeral Home Inc., Monessen.*

SMITH — Patricia (Spirko) Smith, 67, of North Belle Vernon, on Monday, Oct. 19. Leonard J. Parzynski Funeral Home, Belle Vernon.*

WILSON — Patricia C. Wilson, 67, formerly of Charleroi, on Tuesday, Oct. 20. Robert A. Billick Funeral Home Inc., Monessen.*

PREVIOUS DEATHS:

CARPENTER, Dora Riva*

MYERS, Timothy O.*

*** See death notice**

Agnesann (Mollenauer) Bonsch

Charleroi

The family and friends of Agnesann Mollenauer Bonsch are mourning her sudden passing in the UPMC Shadyside Hospital of Pittsburgh in the afternoon of Monday, Oct. 19. Agnesann was born at home in Charleroi to parents William G. and Grace Pease Mollenauer on March 3, 1928. She spent her entire life in Charleroi, graduated with the Charleroi High School Class of 1946, and then attended California State Teachers College. Agnesann was a knowledgeable and wonderful cook. She was hired to run the Charleroi High School cafeteria when it was established in 1960. She retired to a career as a homemaker, during which time she developed her most notable talent as a quilter. Her gift for designing and creating beautiful quilts was envied and many novice quilters sought her guidance and instruction in developing their hobby. Agnesann is survived by her loving, caring, and heartbroken daughters and sons-in-law, Deborah and David Dugdale, of Eustis, Fla., with whom she made her home in the winter, and Jean and John Pfile, of Speers. Agnesann took her undying love and pride with her for her two surviving grandchildren, Ashley Jean and John-David Pfile. Agnesann's passing will also leave an unexplainable void in the lives of her loving niece, Linda Kyle, of Columbus, Ohio; nephews, Robert D. and David (Jeannie) Mollenauer, of the state of California; her four great-nieces and one great-nephew; and her most faithful and caring neighbors and her favorite companion, Barcman. Agnesann's family will receive family and friends in the sanctuary of the First Christian Church of Charleroi, Walnut Ridge Road (724-489-9014) from 4 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 22. Guests are invited to remain for a Celebration of Life Service at 6 p.m. followed by dinner in the fellowship hall. Agnesann's family would be honored for memorial donations to be made to the First Christian Church of Charleroi or the Mon Valley YMCA. The SCHROCK-HOGAN FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATION SERVICES INC. is in charge of arrangements. Condolences accepted at www.schrock-hogan.com.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Dora Riva Carpenter

Charleroi

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at Mary, Mother of the Church in Charleroi on Friday, Oct. 23, 2009, at 10:30 a.m. for Dora Riva Carpenter, who died Aug. 1, 2009. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery. The SCHROCK-HOGAN FUNERAL HOME INC. is in charge of the arrangements.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Amelia 'Millie' Caruso

Cleveland

Amelia "Millie" Caruso, 79, of Cleveland, Ohio, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2009. Millie was born in Donora, the daughter of the late Patsy and Esther Amatangelo. She and her husband, Thomas Caruso, have been married 51 years. They have resided in the Cleveland area all of their married lives. Along with her husband, Millie leaves behind her children, Vicki Higinbotham and Tom Caruso; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Millie is the sister of Rosalie (Tony) Debowski, who still lives in the area. Her brother, Jerry, resides in Florida. She was preceded in death by the following brother and sisters: Edith Dutko, Raymond, Angeline Tosi, Ann Veliky, Mildred Marra and Jean Volpi. All services are being handled by DONLON FUNERAL HOME in Cleveland, Ohio.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Margaret (Planey) Foglia

Rostraver Township

Margaret Planey Foglia, 86, of Belle Vernon (Rostraver Township), died Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2009, at Kelly's Personal Care Home, Greensburg. Born May 4, 1923, in Gillespie, she was the daughter of the late Stephen and Susanna Blasko Planey. A resident of Rostraver Township for the past 50 years, Mrs. Foglia was a member of St. Sebastian Roman Catholic Church. She was retired from the advertising department of the former Hills Department Store, Belle Vernon. She enjoyed watching the Steelers and Pirates, baking, playing bocce, cards and was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels. She was a member of the Belle Vernon Golden Age Assembly at Center on the Hill and was a social member of the Belle Vernon American Legion. She is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Ronald and Sue Foglia of Prescott, Ariz., and Dennis and Dorothy Foglia, of The Colony, Texas; daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Sam Derr, of Youngwood; six grandchildren, Carly and Brittany Foglia, Kristin and Matthew Foglia, Janine (Derr) Hays and husband, Chris, Jeremy Derr; three great-grandchildren, Jacob and Madison Hays and Alexander Derr. She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman J. Foglia, on July 14, 2003; a sister, Katherine Planey; and five brothers, John, Steve "Lefty" Planey Jr., Joe, George and Mike Planey. Visitation will be held Thursday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the LEONARD J. PARZYNSKI FUNERAL HOME, Family Owned and Operated, 626 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon, 724-929-6183. A prayer service will be held Friday at 9:15 a.m. in the funeral home, followed by funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Sebastian Roman Catholic Church with the Rev. Lawrence L. Manchas, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will take place in Belle Vernon Cemetery. Members of St. Sebastian parish will pray the rosary for the departed soul of Margaret Foglia Thursday at 3 p.m. in the funeral home. The family would also wish to extend a special thank you to the caregivers at Kelly's Person Care Home in Greensburg for their care, compassion and love shown to our mother and family during this time. Condolences accepted at the funeral homes web site, www.parzynskifuneralhome.com

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Timothy O. Myers

Rostraver Township

Timothy O. Myers, 64, of Belle Vernon (Rostraver Township), died Sunday, Oct. 18, 2009, at 12:59 p.m. at Mon Valley Hospital, Carroll Township. Born Aug. 19, 1945, in North Charleroi, he was the son of the late Herbert Carter Myers and Ann L. Ohara Myers Barch. A resident of Belle Vernon for the past 30 years, Mr. Myers attended St. Sebastian Roman Catholic Church with his wife, and was a retired superintendent of maintenance from Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel, Allenport Plant. A U.S. Army veteran, he was a member of the Belle Vernon American Legion Post 659, Belle Vernon Rotary Club, worked at Cedar Brook Golf Course for the past two years and was a dear friend and attendant at the Leonard J. Parzynski Funeral Home for the past three years. Tim was an avid golfer, member of the WISE golf league and was a well known musician and drummer for several bands in the 1960's and 1970's, playing with the Invictas, and featured with Jimmy Beaumont and the Skyliners, the Eldorados and The Filet of Soul. Tim also played legion ball and minor league baseball and coached boys baseball and girls softball. He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Kathy Misenko Myers; daughter Megan Myers of Rostraver Township, who is currently attending school in Philadelphia; his father and mother-in-law, Edward and Betty E. (Albright) Misenko of Belle Vernon; two sisters-in-law and a brother-in-law, Carol and Pete Mazzei of Belle Vernon and Janet Misenko; three nephews, Chad and Aaron Mazzei of Glenwood Springs, Colo., Kurt and Carissa Kornosky of Webb City, Mo.; niece, Kerry and Frank Funair of Penn Hills; a great-niece, Kaylee Kornosky; and a great-nephew, Evan Kornosky. He was preceded in death by his sister, Judith Kornosky, and brother-in-law, Eugene Kornosky. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the LEONARD J. PARZYNSKI FUNERAL HOME, Family Owned and Operated, 626 Broad Ave., Belle Vernon (724) 929-6183. Prayer service will be held Wednesday at 9:15 a.m. in the funeral home, followed by funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Sebastian Roman Catholic Church, with the Rev. Lawrence L. Manchas, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will take place in Belle Vernon Cemetery. Members of St. Sebastian parish will pray the rosary for the departed soul of Timothy Myers on Tuesday at 3 p.m. The Belle Vernon American Legion will conduct services Tuesday at 7 p.m., followed by the Belle Vernon Rotary Club services at 7:30 p.m., both in the funeral home. Condolences accepted at the funeral homes Web site, www.parzynskifuneralhome.com

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Maude M. (Richards) Matianski

Maude M. Matianski, 90, of Fallowfield Township, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2009, at Havencrest Nursing Home, Carroll Township. She was born July 14, 1919, in Duquesne, daughter of the late Abraham and Jesse Smith Richards. Mrs. Matianski was a member of St Paul's Lutheran Church in Monessen, Charleroi Senior Center card club, and had been employed by Charlance in Speers as a clothing inspector, prior to her retirement. Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-laws, Daniel S. and Mary Matianski of Sturgis, Mich., Ronald and Roseann Matianski, of Fallowfield Township, and a daughter, Donna Matianski, of Belle Vernon; grandchildren, Jackie DeWitt and husband, Ronald, Carolyn Williams and husband Shawn, Daniel T. Matianski and wife, Wendy, Theresa Thrasher, Karen Kyle and husband, Michael, Fred Shafer and wife, Kelly, Jason Shafer and wife, Kari, and Heather Andrews and husband, Troy; 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Peter Matianski, four brothers, Leslie, Glen, Kenneth, and Melvin Richards; and three sisters; Violet Campanio, Mae Matty, and Ada Phillips. Visitation will be held in the RHOME FUNERAL HOME INC. 1209 Grand Blvd. Monessen, on Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. Services will be held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Monessen, on Friday, Oct. 23, 2009, at 10 a.m. with Rev. Christina A. Ingold officiating. Interment will follow in Mon Valley Memorial Park, Donora.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Patricia C. Wilson

Formerly of Charleroi

Patricia C. Wilson, 67, formerly of Charleroi, died Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2009, in Mon Valley Care Center, Carroll Township. She was born in North Charleroi on Jan. 27, 1942, the daughter of the late Jesse and Kathryn (Skruber) Wilson. Ms. Wilson grew up in Monessen, and spent most of her life in the Mon Valley area. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Jeffrey and Rose Wilson, of Avon, Ind.; two sisters and a brother-in-law, Judith Macosko and Mary Ann "Sis" and Charles Tomayko Jr., all of Monessen; a brother and sister-in-law, Alvin "Rick" and Joanie Wilson, of Monessen; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother-in-law, George "Sonny" Macosko. Private funeral services were held today in the DALFONSO-BILLICK FUNERAL HOME INC. AND CREMATION SERVICES, 441 Reed Ave., Monessen, with Rev. Mark Woomer officiating. Condolences accepted for the family at www.dalfonso-billick.com.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Patricia (Spirko) Smith

North Belle Vernon

Patricia M. "Patty" Spirko Smith, 67, of North Belle Vernon, died Monday, Oct. 19, 2009, at 3:55 p.m. at her home. Born Oct. 22, 1941, in North Charleroi, she was the daughter of the late John and Jennie C. Raposky Spirko. A resident of North Belle Vernon for the past 46 years, Mrs. Smith was a member of St. Sebastian Roman Catholic Church, Belle Vernon, where she served as a Eucharistic Minister. She was a graduate of Monessen High School Class of 1959 and a homemaker. She is survived by her husband, Felix Smith, to whom she was married 46 years; daughter and son-in-law, Kelly Anne and Christopher Brown; son, Ryan F. Smith, at home; sister-in-law, Mary Spirko of Michigan; and two grandchildren, J.R. Brown and Aryanna Porterfield. She was preceded in death by a brother, Ted Spirko. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 7:45 p.m. in the LEONARD J. PARZYNSKI FUNERAL HOME, Family Owned and Operated, 626 Broad Ave., Belle Vernon 724-929-6183 with the Rev. Lawrence L. Manchas, pastor, as celebrant. Condolences accepted at the funeral homes web site, www.parzynskifuneralhome.com

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

POLICE LOG

State police, Belle Vernon

State police are searching for a suspect who robbed Chuck's BP in Coal Center at knifepoint Tuesday.

According to police, the suspect was described as 20 to 30 years old, approximately 5-feet, 8-inches to 5-feet, 10-inches tall. He was wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans, tennis shoes and a blue mask. The suspect was driving a small dark pickup truck.

He entered the service station, located at 1047 Scenic Drive, at 5:35 p.m. and threatened the clerk with a knife, police said. Stealing money from the register, the suspect fled south on Scenic Drive toward Centerville.

Anyone with information on this crime is asked to call state police at (724) 929-6262.

In Loving Memory

Marie V. Imburgia

Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair,
Perhaps you sent a floral spray
If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you sent a gift of food
Or let us use your car,
Perhaps it was a call you made
From nearby or afar.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest word
As any friend could say,
Perhaps you were not there at all
Or just thought of us that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you so much, whatever the part.

A special thanks to Relatives, Friends, Neighbors, Doctors and Staff on 7th Floor Mon Valley Hospital and all those who helped in any way to lessen our sorrow in our bereavement after the death of our beloved Mother and Grandmother.

Fran and Gerri Imburgia, Bob and Susan Imburgia, Natalie and Ron Penwell & Families

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In loving memory of my beloved mother, **Jean Hough**, who passed away 4 years ago today, October 21, 2005.

There is still an ache in my heart today, that the passing years have not taken away
A place in my heart that nothing can fill, I miss you and always will. Your memory is my keepsake with that I will never part, God has you in His keeping, I have you in my heart.

Sadly missed and loved by Daughter Terri S.

In Loving Memory of

Donald Indof

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair, perhaps you sent a floral spray, if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you sent a gift of food or let us use your car. Perhaps it was a call you made from nearby or afar. Perhaps you spoke the kindest word as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all, or just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much, whatever the part.

A special thanks to Reverend Ronald Simboli of St. Anne Church, family, friends, neighbors, and all those who helped in any way to lessen our sorrow in our bereavement after the death of our beloved Husband and Father.

Sandy, Marianne and Michael Indof

In Memory Of

Richard Comer

In loving memory of our beloved Son and Brother, Richard Comer, who passed away 1 year ago today, October 21, 2008.

You are not forgotten, loved one, nor will you ever be, as long as life and memory last we shall remember thee. We miss you now, our hearts are sore, as time goes on we miss you more. Your loving smile, your gentle face, no one can fill your vacant place.

Sadly missed and loved by Mother Charlotte, Brother Bobby, Sister-In-Law Bellanira, Niece Brittany and best friend Mitch.

NEWS

TODAY in HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 21, the 294th day of 2009. There are 71 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:
On Oct. 21, 1959, the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, opened to the public in New York.

On this date:

■ In 1797, the U.S. Navy frigate Constitution, also known as "Old Ironsides," was christened in Boston's harbor.

■ In 1879, Thomas Edison perfected a workable electric light at his laboratory in Menlo Park, N.J.

■ In 1944, during World War II, U.S. troops captured the German city of Aachen.

■ In 1960, Democrat John F. Kennedy and Republican Richard M. Nixon clashed in their fourth and final presidential debate in New York.

■ In 1966, more than 140 people, mostly children, were killed when a coal waste landslide engulfed a school and several houses in Aberfan, Wales.

■ In 1967, the Israeli destroyer INS Eilat was sunk by Egyptian missile boats near Port Said; 47 Israeli crew members were lost.

■ In 1969, beat poet and author Jack Kerouac died in St. Petersburg, Fla., at age 47.

■ In 1971, President Richard Nixon nominated Lewis F. Powell and William H. Rehnquist to the U.S. Supreme Court.

■ **Ten years ago**: France's highest court upheld the conviction of Maurice Papon, the former Vichy official who'd fled France rather than face prison for his role in sending Jews to Nazi death camps; Papon was captured in Switzerland and deported the following day. (Papon ended up serving three years of a 10-year sentence; he died in 2007.)

■ **Five years ago**: An Associated Press poll found President George W. Bush and Sen. John Kerry locked in a statistical tie for the popular vote. Emerson College student Victoria Snelgrove, 21, died hours after being shot in the eye with a pepper-spray pellet fired by police trying to control a raucous crowd outside Fenway Park, where the Boston Red Sox had won the American League championship.

■ **One year ago**: Dozens of members of the Mongol motorcycle gang were arrested by federal agents in six states on a variety of charges following a three-year investigation in which undercover agents infiltrated the group.

Associated Press

Afghan President Hamid Karzai whispers with U.S. Sen. John Kerry during a press conference Tuesday in Kabul. Afghanistan's election commission today ordered a Nov. 7 runoff in the disputed presidential poll after a fraud investigation dropped incumbent Karzai's votes below 50 percent of the total.

Analysis: Afghan runoff masks U.S. predicament

President Karzai and his rival agreed today to a Nov. 7 runoff election.

By ANNE GEARAN
AP National Security Writer

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's relief at the agreement that could quiet the political crisis over Afghanistan's spoiled election masks his predicament as he weighs an expansion of the unpopular Afghanistan war.

The administration says its ambitious plans for Afghanistan rely on a "credible partner" in Kabul. But there is no guarantee that the hastily arranged voting will confer the legitimacy the fraudulent Aug. 20 election lacked.

No matter who wins the November election runoff that Afghanistan President Hamid Karzai agreed to during pressured consultations with American leaders, the United States is wedded to a shaky government in which corruption has become second nature.

"This has been a very difficult time in Afghanistan to not only carry out an election under difficult circumstances, where there were a whole host of security issues that had to be resolved, but also postelection a lot of uncertainty," Obama said Tuesday.

Obama pointed to the Nov. 7 runoff as "a path forward in order to complete this election process." He said nothing about his deliberations over what could be a huge surge of U.S. armed forces in Afghanistan, a calculation badly thrown off by the botched August voting.

For the U.S., a runoff emerged as perhaps the least bad option to restore momentum and the important perception that Afghans themselves are invested in their government and its success. Karzai's chief political rival, Abdullah Abdullah, agreed today to participate in the run-off.

"You have to learn from mistakes, and everybody needs to do that here," said Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., who stood with Karzai for an awkward announcement of the runoff plan. He said Afghan officials and international election shepherds must work fast to get standards and plans that all agree on.

Another election risks the same fraud that derailed the Aug. 20 vote, and the same risk of inciting violence and increasing ethnic divisions.

If there are any more delays, the vote could also could be hampered by winter snows that block off much of the north of the country starting mid-November.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon issued a warning to Afghan election officials.

"We will advise the Independent Election Commission not to re-recruit those officials who might have been involved in fraudulent electoral processes," Ban said. "And we will ensure to make all administrative and technical (measures) to ensure that this election will be carried out in a most fair and transparent manner."

Having pushed for a do-over, U.S. officials have even less ability to scold the winner. That winner is likely to be incumbent Karzai, who conceded Tuesday, under heavy international pressure, that a runoff was "legitimate, legal and according to the constitution of Afghanistan."

Trains collide in India, killing 21

NEW DELHI (AP) — A passenger train crashed into another train's rear carriage reserved for women and disabled passengers, killing 21 people and injuring 17 who remained trapped for hours Wednesday near the Taj Mahal in northern India, police said.

Rescuers used gas cutters to open the wrecked compartment to free trapped passengers following the collision near Agra, the site of the famed white-marble monument about 130 miles (210 kilometers) southeast of New Delhi, said Rajesh Bajpai, a railway spokesman.

Rescuers recovered 19 bodies during a rescue operation that lasted nearly seven hours, said Rajesh Dikshit, a police spokesman. Two of the 19 injured people died in hospital, Dikshit told AP.

The smashed coach was reserved for women and physically handicapped people, although some additional people may have been among the victims.

THE WORLD BRIEFLY

Suspected U.S. missile kills 3

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP) — Intelligence officials say a suspected U.S. missile strike has killed three alleged militants in Pakistan's North Waziristan tribal region.

The region lies adjacent to South Waziristan, an al-Qaida and Taliban stronghold that is the target of an offensive by Pakistani army soldiers.

Two intelligence officials say the drone-fired missile struck Spalaga, a village close to the border with South Waziristan, today. They spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to media.

North Waziristan is a militant stronghold as well, but the army has cut deals with insurgents there to keep them out of the fight in South Waziristan.

Watchdog says bailout helped

WASHINGTON (AP) — A government watchdog said the $700 billion bailout for the financial industry played a major role in rescuing the economy over the last year but also engendered anger and distrust among Americans because of secrecy and confusion about the way the program was handled.

The mixed and blunt assessment by Neil Barofsky, the special inspector general in charge of oversight for the bailout fund, appears in a quarterly report scheduled for release today. Barofsky said the Troubled Asset Relief Program has come at great cost to taxpayers, to the integrity of the financial system and to the public's perception of the federal government.

"Despite the aspects of TARP that could reasonably be viewed as a substantial success," he wrote, "Treasury's actions in this regard have contributed to damage the credibility of the program and of the government itself, and the anger, cynicism and distrust created must be chalked up as one of the substantial, albeit unnecessary, costs of TARP."

Barofsky said public suspicion was fed by Treasury's decision not to require banks to report how they used their rescue money and its "less-than-accurate" statements describing the financial condition of nine large banks that benefited from large infusions of aid. The TARP program began under the administration of President George W. Bush and has expanded under President Barack Obama.

The program has come under criticism in Congress from across the political spectrum. Liberals maintain the program needs to shift its focus from big financial firms to small businesses and homeowners. Conservatives insist the program has been an unnecessary intrusion into the financial sector and should end swiftly.

Man charged with 5 murders, arson

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) — Almost six years after a wildfire destroyed nearly 1,000 homes in Southern California, prosecutors say they have enough evidence to charge a prison inmate with arson and murder in connection with the 2003 blaze.

San Bernardino County District Attorney Michael Ramos said Tuesday that a special criminal grand jury indicted Rickie Lee Fowler, a 28-year-old prison inmate, on arson and murder charges in connection to the wildfire that has been linked to five heart attack deaths.

Fowler is serving time in state prison for burglary. He was first interviewed in connection with fire in February 2004, based on a telephone tip, but there was not enough evidence to charge him.

'PENNSYLVANIA CASH 5'

One player hits 'Cash 5' jackpot

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — One player matched all five winning numbers drawn in Tuesday's "Pennsylvania Cash 5" game and will collect a jackpot worth $125,000.

Lottery officials said 57 players matched four numbers and won $278.50 each; 2,092 players matched three numbers and won $12.50 each; and 26,403 players matched two numbers and won $1 each.

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TUESDAY, October 20, 2009

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NIGHT PICK 3:	5-0-1
DAY PICK BIG 4:	6-7-1-2
NIGHT PICK BIG 4:	8-2-8-3
DAY QUINTO:	0-7-4-0-0
NIGHT QUINTO:	5-9-3-6-2
TREASURE HUNT:	2-9-14-24-29
CASH 5:	5-15-26-39-43
SUPER 7:	8-11-29-31-37-43 62-67-68-72-75

OHIO — DAILY NUMBERS
TUESDAY, October 20, 2009

DAY PICK 3:	3-8-9
NIGHT PICK 3:	0-4-4
DAY PICK 4:	9-3-3-9
NIGHT PICK 4:	0-6-0-6
ROLLING CASH 5:	7-8-9-35-37

WEST VIRGINIA — DAILY NUMBERS
TUESDAY, October 20, 2009

DAILY 3:	7-7-6
DAILY 4:	7-6-1-0
CASH 25:	4-9-11-20-21-25

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OUR OPINION

Wall project took persistence

NEVER LET IT BE SAID that Donora Mayor John "Chummy" Lignelli isn't persistent.

Well over a decade ago, the longtime public official began pushing for something to be done about the crumbling retaining wall along Route 837 at Gilmore Cemetery.

His fear was that the wall would ultimately collapse and that the graves of the Civil and Revolutionary war veterans would be disturbed in the process.

Lignelli wanted to prevent that from happening, and he wouldn't take no for an answer when he started asking for financial assistance to fix the problem.

It took a while, but the mayor enlisted help from state officials and a ribbon- cutting ceremony was held last week to mark completion of the project.

Lignelli started working on it in 1998, and now — after 11 years of countless phone calls, letters, meetings and applications — the project is done. Not only was the deteriorating wall replaced, new sidewalks and fencing were installed and the roadway was resurfaced as part of the project that began four months ago.

In testifying before the state transportation commission, Lignelli based his initial argument on preservation of the war veterans' graves at Gilmore Cemetery.

"I said to them, 'This wall is ready to come down. There are veterans' graves in there and if they come down on your state highway, it's going to be an embarrassment to you,'" Lignelli said.

It was a valid argument and although it took a while, the state listened.

State Sen. Barry J. Stout, D-Bentleyville, and state Rep. Peter J. Daley, D-California, got involved and helped obtain grants to pay for the project.

The project required the cooperation of local and state officials as well as homeowners who live near the project site. Motorists traveling through the area were inconvenienced by the work throughout the summer, too, but it was worth it.

Donora now has a beautifully improved area of its community and the old cemetery has been saved.

The mayor's persistence has paid off.

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ANOTHER VIEW

The Register-Guard, Eugene, Ore., on unemployment benefits:

Despite a growing consensus that the Great Recession has ended, unemployment is expected to continue rising well into next year.

That's why it's imperative that Congress move swiftly to approve another extension of unemployment benefits to help the millions of Americans who remain mired in economic misery.

Last Thursday, the Senate reached a tentative deal to extend unemployment benefits by 14 weeks in all states. ... Without a nationwide extension, 1.5 million Americans will have exhausted benefits by the end of the year, an unwelcome prospect for an economy just starting to recover from free fall. ...

Republican critics of extended unemployment insurance say it can be a disincentive to looking for work — an argument that overlooks the wasteland that the job market remains in Oregon and most other states. ...

Critics also claim extending benefits at a time the economy is recovering is counterproductive. But unemployment benefits are one of the most effective forms of short-term stimulus. The average state jobless check is $300 a month, and unemployed Americans plow that money back into the economy, paying rent and buying food and other necessities. ...

The Great Recession technically may be over. But it's going to take a while for the "jobless recovery" to end and the real one to begin.

Until that happens, Congress should help unemployed Americans from plunging deeper into poverty.

Obama the graceless

Rich **LOWRY**

Republicans needn't trouble themselves to nominate a presidential candidate in 2012. No matter what, President Barack Obama will be running against George W. Bush.

Bush will be Obama's eternal foil. At this rate, when Obama writes his post-presidential memoir, it will be titled "An Audacious Presidency, or How I Saved America From That Bastard Bush." His presidential library will have a special fright-house wing devoted to Bush's misrule. He will mutter in his senescence about 43, like the Ancient Mariner about his albatross.

Obama clearly wants Bush to be the Hoover to his FDR. Since his predecessor left office with a 34 percent job approval, Obama understandably feels moved to scorn and berate him. But Obama's perpetual campaign against Bush is graceless, whiny and tin-eared. Must the leader of the free world — if Obama still accepts that quaint formulation — always reach for the convenient excuse?

No doubt, Obama inherited formidable challenges, but it's usually thus. The presidency is a miserable job. During our first inaugural marking a presidential transition, John Adams thought he could almost hear George Washington thinking: "I am fairly out and you fairly in! See which of us will be happiest."

Obama complains of having to clean up what he charmingly calls "somebody else's mess." Obama took office during a stomach-churning financial crisis, and he now brags "we've rescued our economy from catastrophe." Who's "we"? When then-Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson and Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke confronted Bush with the magnitude of the crisis last fall, he told them to do anything necessary to fight it.

Bush's support of the ideologically uncongenial TARP legislation, together with Bernanke's expansive actions at the Fed, rescued the system. But Obama takes the credit, while pretending Bush heedlessly let the economy burn — a tack that is in equal measures petty and dishonest.

Obama also blames Bush for the deficit, now at $1.4 trillion. Whatever his own profligacy, Bush didn't compel Obama to spend money nearly as fast as it could be printed, or roughly double the projected debt over the next decade. Obama's motto apparently is "Stop Bush — before he makes me spend again!"

In international forums, Obama acts as if Bush were the former president of another country, or a disgraced former leader ousted in a coup. No calumny is too much to heap on him, and no defense is ever offered. Obama might at least avoid implicitly accusing his predecessor of war crimes. He might at least credit his, and his country's, good intentions in toppling Saddam Hussein and promoting democracy in the Middle East. No, he's incapable of it.

Obama should be grateful that Bush ordered the surge in Iraq against Obama's opposition. If he hadn't, Obama likely would have — on top of everything else — inherited a strategically central Middle Eastern country in full-scale civil war. Does Obama express any appreciation, or any humility about his own mistaken call? Of course not.

But his aides blame Bush for the state of the Afghan War, which White House chief of staff Rahm Emanuel says was adrift "for eight years." If the war was under-resourced, the complaining about Bush has the whiff of pre-emptive excuse-making should Obama pull up short in his "necessary war." We would send Gen. Stanley McChrystal's 40,000 more troops to Afghanistan only if Bush hadn't already lost the war.

When Obama first burst on the scene, he seemed to respect the other side. That refreshing Obama is long gone. Now, he impugns his immediate predecessor with classless regularity, and attributes the worst of motives — pure partisanship and unrestrained greed — to those who oppose him. Their assigned role is to get the hell out of his way.

The acid test of the White House inevitably exposes a president's character flaws: Nixon's corrosive paranoia, Clinton's self-destructive indiscipline, Bush's stubborn defensiveness. Obama in the crucible is exhibiting an oddly self-pitying arrogance. It's unbecoming in anyone, let alone the most powerful man on the planet.

Rush blitz was cheap shot

Diana **WEST**

Before I get to the chilling implications for free conservative speech underscored by the vicious, public campaign to blackball Rush Limbaugh as a potential owner of an NFL team, I want to provide a little context about the pre-existing NFL comfort zone of expression.

I will start with two words: Keith Olbermann. In addition to his nightly gig on MSNBC — a numbing blend of Leftist politics and something approaching Tourette's syndrome — Olbermann is a co-host of NBC's "Football Night in America," the pre-game show that leads into "Sunday Night Football." Naturally, that would be Sunday night NFL football.

This job, now into its third season, makes Olbermann not a team owner, of course, but certainly a public face of the NFL. And a public face of the NFL with many filthy things coming out of it. These include, just sampling from recent days, his pronouncement that Limbaugh claiming his own success paved the way for Glenn Beck is "is like congratulating yourself for spreading syphilis." We could slap a headline on that — "NFL talker compares star radio and TV conservatives with venereal disease" — except that trash talk against conservatives doesn't generate mainstream media outrage.

Take Olbermann's noxious attack this week on Michelle Malkin for what he characterized as her "total mindless, morally bankrupt, knee-jerk, fascistic hatred without which Michelle Malkin would just be a big mashed-up bag of meat with lipstick on it."

Get that? Olbermann calls an accomplished and best-selling conservative author, commentator, blogger, wife and mother (who also happens to be beautiful) a "big mashed-up bag of meat with lipstick," but such dehumanizing venom doesn't count as controversial, or even lightly strain his NBC-NFL connection. Why, at this rate, he could end up on a box of Wheaties. His comments certainly don't rate as "divisive" or "inappropriate" — two of the coded charges leveled at Rush Limbaugh's "public remarks" by NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell and Indianapolis Colts owner Jim Irsay that got Limbaugh's blackball rolling in the first place.

It was all over so fast. Barely a day passed between the news that Limbaugh was bidding with Dave Checketts for the St Louis Rams and the news that Checketts was dropping Limbaugh as a partner.

But what a day. It goes down in the annals as the day the demonization of conservatism achieved not consensus, but normalcy, and the day the marginalization of conservatives became not a public sport but a civic duty. Think about it. What happened Limbaugh didn't happen to a "dead white male" on a college campus; nor did it happen to a live white male in a government-mandated "sensitivity course." What happened to Limbaugh took place in a uniquely exclusive slice of the private sector frequented by the super-mega-rich and ostentatious, the kind of people with the kind of money that buys protection from the pressures of what is thought of as public opinion. But what happened to Rush Limbaugh — call it "Rush-baiting" — reveals that what conservative blogger Lawrence Auster calls the "dictatorship enforced by the charge of racism" has absolutely no boundaries.

Limbaugh's critics were so desperate to make a racism charge stick, to tag Limbaugh as untouchably "controversial," that they resorted to demonstrable lies — statements Limbaugh never made — and purposely indemonstrable innuendo. Not that this mattered. As in all dictatorships, the charge itself suffices. It didn't even matter that the dictatorship's emissaries, the eternal charlatans Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson, who actively lobbied the NFL to oppose Limbaugh, are themselves serially discredited race hustlers. Again, the charge is all it takes to demonize and ostracize the opposition. And Rush Limbaugh — as the leading voice against the radicalism of the Obama administration, one of the most forceful opponents of the totalitarian social engineering we know as "affirmative action," as one of the great communicators of basic conservative principles — definitely counts as the opposition.

NEWS

Belle Vernon Area High School crowned Courtny Jodon as its 2009 homecoming queen Friday. The homecoming court, from left, comprises Jessalyn Timko, Krystal Page, Jodon, Maria Sasko, Laura Giarrusso, Bethany Christopher and Jocelyn Connolly.

These Monessen residents took *The Valley Independent* on vacation to Myrtle Beach, S.C. Bottom row, from left, are Cameron Frolo, Nathan Lynch, Nick Baker and Caitlyn Frolo; and back row, Kelsey Bachinski, Hanna Leach, Dale Kozar and Zach Baker.

A group of Fairhope residents took *The Valley Independent* on vacation to Egypt. In Cairo, front row, from left, are Pauline and Laurie Baker; and back row, Jim, Dora and Tom Baker.

From left, Jim and Claudia Knaus, along with daughter Celene Mitchell and Jim Campano, of New Eagle, took *The Valley Independent* on vacation to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation, Lake Tahoe and Reno in Nevada.

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IN THE SERVICE

Lawrence bound for Afghanistan

Pfc. Adrian Lawrence completed basic training and advanced infantry training at Fort Jackson, S.C. He is stationed at Hunter Army Air Field in Savannah, Ga, and will be sent to Afghanistan.

A 2002 Ringgold High School graduate, he is the son of Camille Lawrence, of Donora, and James Lawrence Sr., of Lawrenceville, Ga. He is the grandson of Bernice Kinds Johnson, of Donora, and Irene McKutcheon, of Lawrenceville.

Lawrence

Sproul training in Virginia

Seaman Recruit John Sproul completed training at Naval Recruiting Training Command.

A Navy Reservist, he is a 2009 Ringgold High School graduate. He is undergoing intelligence training in Dam Neck, Va. He is the son of Jack and Gena Sproul, of Monongahela.

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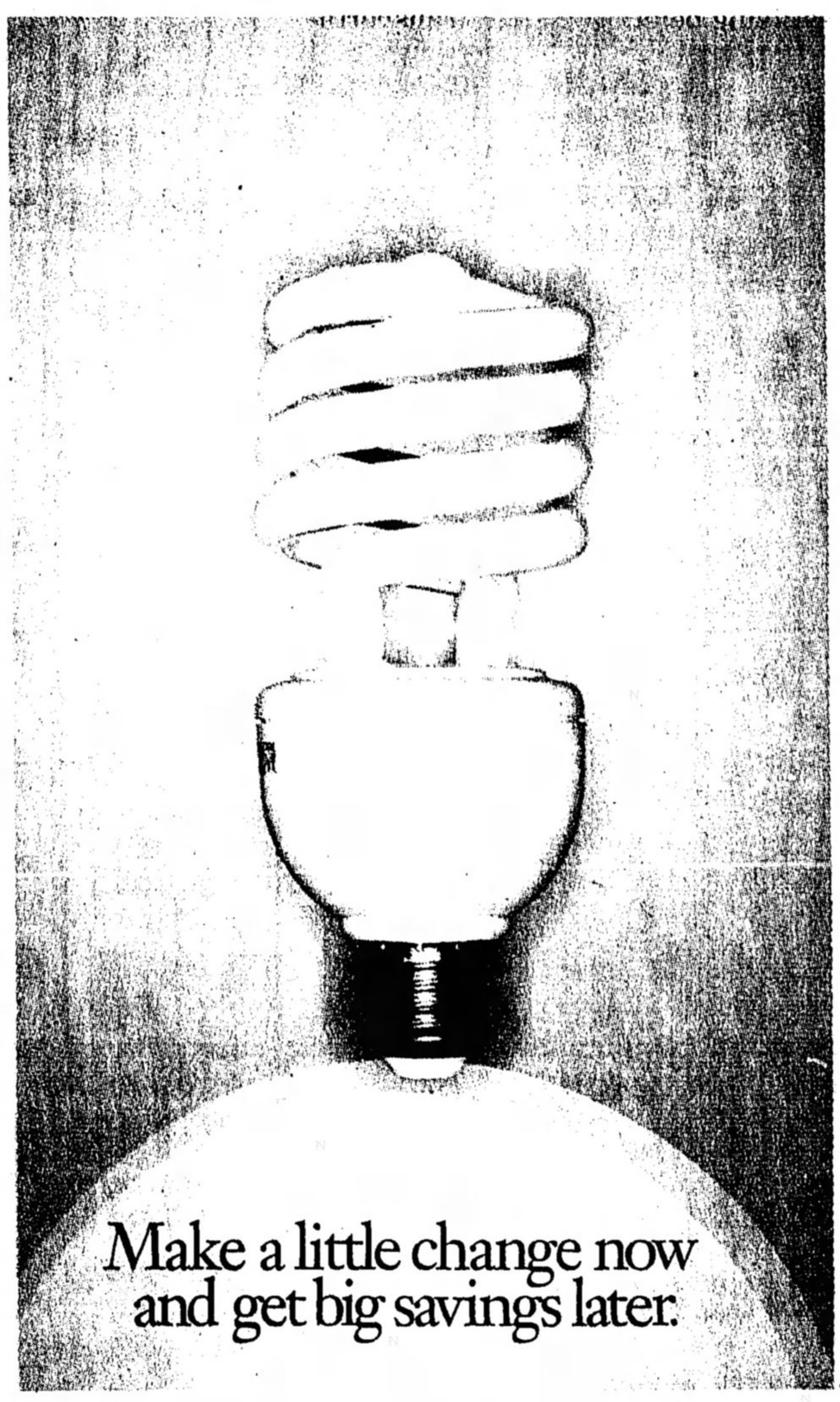

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Dr. Cyril H. Wecht:

From criminal defendant to public honor

Allegheny County laboratory named in honor of region's most famous pathologist.

By JEREMY BOREN
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Allegheny County's most famous name in pathology is returning to the medical examiner's office.

County Council named the office's main laboratory the "Cyril H. Wecht Institute of Forensic Science" to honor the "lifetime of service that Dr. Wecht has provided for Allegheny County" as a coroner and commissioner, according to a proclamation Wecht accepted Tuesday.

The irony was not lost on Wecht, 78, of Squirrel Hill, who resigned as medical examiner in 2006 after federal prosecutors accused him of corruption. The government dropped the case in June following a high-profile court battle.

"If you read this in a novel, you would say 'that nicely fits together, but in real life, it doesn't happen that way,'" said Wecht, a nationally recognized forensic expert. "I'm truly grateful, and I truly appreciate this."

"I simply want to say, it's a great honor."

Council President Rich Fitzgerald, a fellow Democrat from Squirrel Hill, said the lab's letterhead will be changed and a plaque will be placed somewhere in the Strip District facility to honor Wecht.

"His achievements are legendary and exhaustive," said Fitzgerald, the proclamation's author. "He's brought great distinction upon our region. Anytime there's a murder or a major criminal case in California, New York or Florida, they go to Dr. Wecht."

Fitzgerald acknowledged not everyone is a fan of Wecht, but he hasn't received complaints.

The federal indictment against Wecht included allegations he traded bodies for laboratory space at Carlow University and that he used county employees to benefit Cyril H. Wecht and Pathology Consultants Inc., his private practice.

Prosecutors dropped the case after a mistrial and rulings that limited evidence they could use against him.

U.S. Attorney Mary Beth Buchanan, whose office brought the case against Wecht, declined to comment. Current Medical Examiner Dr. Karl E. Williams also declined to comment.

County Council unanimously approved naming the laboratory after Wecht last month. County Executive Dan Onorato signed the resolution Sept. 16.

"The county executive said he signed the resolution in recognition of Dr. Wecht's lifetime commitment to public service and his contributions to the field of forensic science," said Kevin Evanto, Onorato's spokesman.

Jim Roddey, a Republican who beat Wecht in the first race for county executive, said Wecht deserves the honor even though he served mainly as an elected coroner, not as medical examiner, which became an appointed position in 2006.

Sidney Davis/For The Valley Independent
Helen Cindrich, the Western Pennsylvania captain of PA Choose Life, poses with her specialty license plate at her North Versailles home.

New plates help frame debate about abortion

Groups on both sides of issue get OK to 'sell' message via PennDOT.

By TONY LaRUSSA
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Mary Wurtz expected a fight when she set out to spread her anti-abortion message on the state's license plates.

But the roadblocks her counterparts encountered in New York, New Jersey and Illinois never materialized in Pennsylvania, said Wurtz, 42, who runs the nonprofit PA Choose Life from her suburban Philadelphia home.

This month, the U.S. Supreme Court decided not to hear an appeal from Illinois abortion opponents whose bid for a specialty plate was rejected by a federal appellate court.

The Supreme Court previously declined to consider similar arguments in Arizona, Louisiana, South Carolina and Tennessee.

"I think the reason we didn't get any opposition in Pennsylvania is that we took a very low-key, nonpolitical approach to the matter," Wurtz said.

"Our focus is on promoting adoption, and in our application we were very clear that the money we raised would be used to support women facing difficult choices."

"PA Choose Life" is one of 232 specialty plates PennDOT makes available.

Vehicle owners can buy plates to show support for nonprofit organizations such as universities, civic organizations and police and firefighter groups.

PennDOT has sold 814 PA Choose Life plates. They sell for $44 each, which includes a $20 fee to the Department of Motor Vehicles and $4 for the Department of Corrections, which makes the plates.

The balance goes to PA Choose Life.

Rebecca Cavanaugh, vice president of public affairs for Planned Parenthood of Western Pennsylvania, said her organization, which supports abortion rights, did not oppose the plate because PennDOT notified the group about Wurtz's request and offered Planned Parenthood the opportunity to have a plate, too.

"No viewpoint discrimination took place," Cavanaugh said.

Planned Parenthood, which sells its plates for $45, has 22 active plates. The plates are not a priority in fundraising efforts, Cavanaugh said.

"They're available for people who want them, but we don't really push them."

Planned Parenthood objected to anti-abortion plates in several other states because legislatures approved a "choose life" plate but rejected a "choice" plate, said Steve Trombley, president of Planned Parenthood of Illinois.

Groups that oppose abortion won approval for "choose life" plates in 24 states, most recently in Delaware, New Mexico and North Dakota, according to Florida-based Choose Life Inc.

Choose Life supporters argue the debate over the plates is a test of First Amendment rights.

"It's the definition of free speech," said Elizabeth Rex, president of the New York-based Children First Foundation.

"We are free to speak, whether what we say is controversial or not," she added.

Miss Mid Mon Valley Pageant winners set

The 2009 Miss Mid Mon Valley Pageant took place Sept. 27 at the Holiday Inn Uniontown.

The contestants participated in evening gown, interview and personal sense of style competitions.

They supported U.S. troops by making thank-you cards to send overseas along with a DVD player, Playstation games, Xbox, movies and other items.

The Chris Higbee Project presented an acoustic performance.

The following revailed in the photogenic category: Baby Miss Mid Mon Valley, Gabriella Spina; Tiny Miss Mid Mon Valley, Alexa Mori; Little Miss Mid Mon Valley, Paige Jones; Jr. Miss Mid Mon Valley, Lea Bloom; and Miss Mid Mon Valley Teen, Melissa Granatire.

The following won 2009 titles: Baby Miss Mid Mon Valley, Gabreilla Spina, of Adah; first runner-up, Bria Seaman, of Uniontown; Tiny Miss Mid Mon Valley, Ember Weber, of Waynesburg; Little Miss Mid Mon Valley, Paige Jones, of Waynesburg; Junior Miss Mid Mon Valley, Natalee Chornak, of Elizabeth; first runner-up, Valerie Grimes, of Farmington; second runner-up, Kylee Myers, of Masontown; and Miss Mid Mon Valley Teen, Melissa Granatire, of Pittsburgh.

Adrianne Holmes, of Donora, received the Pageantry Spirit Award from Pageantry Magazine. It was based on work with the pageant and community service.

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Yankees' CC pitches OK

CC Sabathia tossed eight strong innings Tuesday as the Yankees moved closer to another World Series. **2B**

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Craft of the Week

"The Passionate Beader's Guide" offers help with trendy jewelry and fashion accessories. **5B**

NBA in Pittsburgh

LeBron James scored 12 points to help Cleveland to a 30-point win over Dallas in a pre-season game. **2B**

Sports Trivia

Which former Pitt standout holds the Minnesota Vikings' record with five quarterback sacks in a game? **2B**

Last night's games

Pittsburgh 5, St. Louis 1
Montreal 2, Atlanta 1, SO
Calgary 6, Columbus 3

Jeff **OLIVER**

Some 'food for thought'

Here's a little food for thought to help get you over the hump:

■ I think the NFL has finally done it ... it has over-analyzed its rule on completing a catch in the end zone.

To me, there is no doubt that Hines Ward had complete control of a pass from Ben Roethlisberger in the end zone during the first half of Sunday's game against Cleveland.

Ward grabbed the ball, went to the ground, rolled a couple of times and then lost the ball as he was skidding out of bounds.

Seriously, how long do you have to hold on to a football in the end zone?

I wonder if a player dives and catches a pass and, just for the heck of it, rolls over 10 times before coming up. But on the 10th roll, he leaves the ball on the ground. I guess that makes it an incomplete pass.

Meanwhile, a running back who dives into the end zone merely has to break the plane of the goal line and if he fumbles, even while in the air, it is still a touchdown.

Geez.

I long for the days when we all knew whether or not a ball was caught and whether or not it was a fumble. That was more fun than having to watch a replay 10-12 times and then having a guy in the booth tell me I didn't see what I know I saw.

■ Add Steelers: Funny, but it was only three weeks ago when the Steelers were 1-2, the Ravens 3-0 and the Bengals 2-1 and people were clamoring that the defending champs were in trouble of falling out of the race.

■ I'm not sure if Belle Vernon Area will make the playoffs in football, but I definitely like what I see from coach Aaron Krepps and his staff.

Krepps has done a great job in his rookie year and I have no doubt that bigger and better things lie ahead for the BVA program.

■ I had the fortune of covering Monessen football throughout the late Jack Scarvel's head coaching career.

My guess is if Scarvel were still guiding the Greyhounds he would be handing the ball off to Brett Crenshaw 25 to 30 times a game — maybe more.

Scarvel lived by the theory that if you have a weapon, you fire it as often as you can.

And there is no doubt that Crenshaw is a real offensive weapon who is electrifying when he gets the ball in his hands.

■ Whatever happened to Nathan Peters?

■ I've heard whispers that there is support building for the possible construction of a new football stadium for Charleroi on the campus grounds. After witnessing the mud puddle bowl against Waynesburg, I would support that idea.

Charleroi Stadium, while being the site of many memorable moments in Cougar football lore, is past antiquated. Calling it run-down would insinuate that improvements were made to the facility.

The field has no pitch and

(See OLIVER, Page 3B)

Gonchar hurt in 5-1 win

Penguins' defenseman will be evaluated today.

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Penguins are showing they're not just a top-heavy, star-laden team. The defending Stanley Cup champions have depth, too.

Evgeni Malkin had a goal, Sidney Crosby added an assist, and 13 of Pittsburgh's 18 skaters got onto the scoresheet in a 5-1 victory over the St. Louis Blues on Tuesday night.

Matt Cooke had a goal and an assist, Kris Letang had two assists, and Tyler Kennedy, Evgeni Malkin, Ruslan Fedotenko and Alex Goligoski had goals as the Penguins won their sixth straight and pushed their record to 8-1.

"When our four lines are going and everybody's clicking and playing well together, we can be a tough team to beat," defenseman Jay McKee said. "I think most teams, probably for good reasons, focus on Sidney and Geno (Malkin), and I think that's playing to our advantage. We're not just getting production from them; it's everybody."

Paul Kariya scored for the Blues, 1-3-1 in their past five games. They were dominated three days after a 5-0 win at Anaheim.

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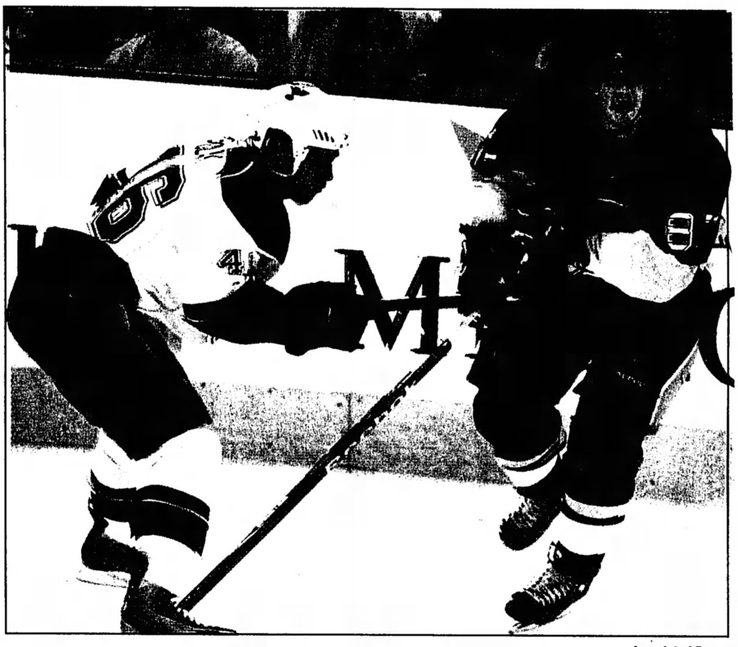

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Sidney Crosby, right, gets a stick in the side from St. Louis' Roman Polak in the third period Tuesday.

BVA boys return to playoffs

Leps wrap up third place finish with 12-1 blowout of Yough.

Make that three straight years for Belle Vernon Area High's boys in the WPIAL Class AA soccer playoffs.

The Leps picked up their ticket with a 12-1 romp over Yough to finish third in Section 3, a point ahead of Thomas Jefferson.

"It's good to get back, and we will find out today who we play," said BVA coach Chris Stasicha. "Six of our seven seniors scored goals and the seventh had an assist. That's great to have on senior night."

Mark Tomich, Tyler Pirilla and Joe Cervone each scored two goals, with Ben Burnsworth, Matt Sweeney, A.J. Cocciolone, Chris Kovalchuck, Josh Yoskosky and Chase Foglia getting the other goals for the Leps (11-5-2, 8-4-2).

Charleroi 4, Monessen 0

The third-place Cougars (11-6, 8-4) tuned for the playoffs by blanking the Greyhounds in their Class A Section 4 finale.

Thomas Jefferson 3, Elizabeth Forward 2

Cam Easler and Tyler Abels scored for the Warriors (9-9, 7-7) in the Class AAA Section 3 finale.

Abels finished the season with 30 goals, which is the third highest total in the school's history.

"We played hard but TJ finished its chances," said Elizabeth coach Dave King.

Greensburg Central 10, California 4

The Trojans (7-11-1, 4-9-1) closed with a loss to the Class A Section 1 champs.

"We won more games this year than we did last year and this is only our second season," said California coach Adam Obranovich. "We have a young nucleus, so hopefully we can build from there."

Bentworth 5, Beth-Center 4

J.T. Paterlini's second goal with 50 seconds left was the game-winner for the Bearcats in Class A Section 4.

Nick Malarbi also had a pair of goals for playoff-bound Bentworth (9-7-2, 8-2-2), with K.C. Lindley getting the other goal.

Soccer roundup

Steelers justice hard to figure

Kicker Jeff Reed will be on the field Sunday despite his arrest.

By JOE STARKEY
For The Valley Independent

Part of any coach's job is to take some hits for the organization. As such, Pittsburgh Steelers coach Mike Tomlin might as well have worn a helmet and shoulder pads to his weekly news conference Tuesday.

Tomlin announced that kicker Jeff Reed "is going to play" Sunday against Minnesota, even though Reed was arrested two nights earlier and charged with simple assault, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct and public intoxication outside McFadden's on the North Shore.

Unlike in February, when Reed attacked a Sheetz towel dispenser in New Alexandria (he pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct and criminal mischief), human beings allegedly were the object of his ire Sunday night.

And not just any human beings, but Pittsburgh police officers. The police reported that Reed was trying to come to the aid of teammate Matt Spaeth — who was being ticketed for a public tinkle — and "squared up with an officer by bringing his fists up."

Jeff Reed

Can't you just picture Reed striking the John L. Sullivan pose?

Reed plans to fight the charges, presumably with as much vigor as he fought the towel dispenser.

Question is, why is Reed playing when receiver Santonio Holmes was deactivated for the Giants game last season after Holmes was arrested for misdemeanor possession of marijuana (charges were dropped in June)?

Here is most of Tomlin's lengthy and obviously well-rehearsed answer:"Probably the only difference between this situation and Santonio's situation is the time of the week in which it occurred. Santonio's incident occurred on a Thursday evening. It basically became something we had to deal with on a Friday leading up to a football game. We chose to deactivate him to minimize that distraction and really dealt with his issue the following Monday. His deactivation was not punitive. ... We're handling this in a similar manner. It's just that it happened on a Sunday, so we're afforded the opportunity to deal with it and address it on a Monday or a Tuesday."

Translation: You don't want to see Piotr Czech kicking field goals, do you?

Look, it's a lot easier, for one game, to replace a receiver than it is a kicker. You only have one kicker. Deactivating him would cause a ripple effect on the game-day roster.

What's more, Reed has mastered the difficult kicking conditions at Heinz Field, and this is a big game.

I have to believe that's the real story.

If the Steelers want to stick with their time-of-the-week-rationale, things could get awfully complicated. For starters, at what time is getting arrested officially considered a distraction?

Is it 7:32 p.m. Monday?

High noon Tuesday?

You'd think getting arrested on a Thursday night would be less distracting than six nights before kickoff, because media access is increasingly limited.

Come to think of it, Thursday night is an excellent time to get arrested.

If you're arrested on Sunday night, it leaves an entire week of questions and potential distractions.

And what if the team is scheduled to play a Thursday night game? What's the arrest/distraction cutoff time then? I'm guessing, in that scenario, it's best to be arrested no later than 5:20 p.m. Saturday.

This isn't the first time Steelers justice has been hard to figure. Two springs ago, backup receiver Cedrick

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SPORTS

Sabathia, A-Rod push Yanks toward Series

New York just one win away after 10-1 destruction of Angels.

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — None of the New York Yankees' 26 world championships include Alex Rodriguez or CC Sabathia. The splendid slugger and the workhorse starter both acknowledge that until they win a title, they're still not a big part of their club's hallowed history.

The way Rodriguez is hitting and Sabathia is pitching in the AL championship series, it's clear they're determined to put rings on their hired hands.

And after their two-man demolition of the Angels on Tuesday night, they're both one win away from playing in their first World Series.

Rodriguez connected on his fifth homer of the postseason while getting three hits, Sabathia pitched eight resilient innings on three days' rest, and the Yankees beat Los Angeles 10-1 to take a 3-1 lead in the best-of-seven ALCS.

Alex Rodriguez

"I've been feeling good," said Sabathia, who has won three of New York's seven playoff games. "Hopefully I'll just keep it going, keep it rolling, and we win the whole thing."

With superstars earning every last zero in their paychecks, New York earned the chance to advance in Game 5 on Thursday night, when A.J. Burnett goes against Los Angeles ace John Lackey.

Rodriguez homered in the third straight game of his outstanding postseason, driving in a run in his record eighth consecutive playoff game with a two-run shot in the fifth inning. Sabathia pitched five-hit ball on three days' rest, holding the Angels' formerly fearsome lineup to nothing more than Kendry Morales' homer.

"He's a horse. He's a monster," Rodriguez said of Sabathia. "We're so glad to have him on our team."

The October abilities of Rodriguez and Sabathia have long been questioned. A-Rod has been consistently miserable in previous postseasons to the point of derision from his own fans, while Sabathia had never matched his regular-season prowess in the playoffs with his previous two teams.

Those reputations are now as dated as the old Yankee Stadium that sits across the street from the opulent new park where the Yankees' first World Series in six years will start next Wednesday if New York can get one more win.

The Yankees also built a big lead in their last trip to the ALCS in 2004 — and anybody in Boston can tell you how poorly that turned out for New York. The Yankees blew four chances to finish off the Red Sox. They've got three chances to put away the Angels.

While Sabathia needs a few days' rest between starts, Rodriguez has been amazing in every outing. He's batting .407 (11 for 27) with five homers, 11 RBIs and 9 runs scored in just seven playoff games.

"I don't remember a player on our club, when we were playing in the playoffs, having back-to-back series so far like this," said Yankees manager Joe Girardi, who won three championships as New York's catcher. "He's been unbelievable. I know Bernie (Williams) had some big series, and Paul O'Neill had some big series. But Alex is — wow."

Johnny Damon added a late two-run homer and Melky Cabrera drove in four runs for the Yankees, who built a commanding cushion in this once-wild series by draining the drama from it.

One day after the Angels handed New York its first playoff loss in an extra-inning thriller, the Yankees put together two early rallies before piling on five runs late — all backing Sabathia's steady work in his second win of the series.

With a two-run homer to left field that silenced an excited Anaheim crowd in the fifth, Rodriguez drove in a run in his eighth straight postseason game, tying the major league record. His five homers matched Reggie Jackson's iconic 1977 effort for the second-most in a single playoff year for the Yankees.

Penguins (FROM PAGE ONE)

"For us not to be ready to play the defending Stanley Cup champions is unacceptable," Blues goalie Chris Mason said. "We come off a good second and third period in Anaheim against a very good team. I don't know if we're getting a little ahead of ourselves and getting a little cocky and thinking that it should be easier than it really is. ... To come out like we did against these guys, this is what's going to happen."

The Penguins took a season-high 43 shots and controlled play for much of the game against the Blues, but it might have come at a price. Veteran all-star defenseman Sergei Gonchar didn't play over the final 27 minutes because of an undisclosed injury. Penguins coach Dan Bylsma said Gonchar would be evaluated today.

The Penguins struggled last season and were in 10th place in the Eastern Conference after Gonchar missed the first 56 games due to a shoulder injury.

"We'll see what happens with Gonch," Bylsma said. "If we miss him, I think we're still going to be able to play a similar style."

Penguins goalie Marc-Andre Fleury made 22 saves to improve to 8-0, setting a career high for most consecutive victories.

He didn't have much to do during the first period, when the Penguins held a 20-3 shots advantage and took a 2-0 lead.

"Right from the get-go, when you don't have the energy or the legs, it means you're reaching with your sticks so you're doing things you shouldn't be doing," Blues coach Andy Murray said. "Obviously with the shots — total domination by Pittsburgh — it was pretty clear to see such a drop-off and it is difficult to understand why we didn't have legs or energy."

The Penguins took the first 10 shots in the opening 10:39 and grabbed a lead they would not relinquish at 11:19. Kennedy skated in from the left-wing boards and took a slap shot from high in the left circle that beat Mason. It was Kennedy's team-high fifth goal.

"You give up 20 shots in the first period and 45 in the game with a team that has as much talent, skill and drive that the Penguins have, it's going to be tough road to hoe," St. Louis forward David Backes said.

Cavs win in Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Cleveland Cavaliers and Dallas Mavericks took different paths in getting ready for the regular season.

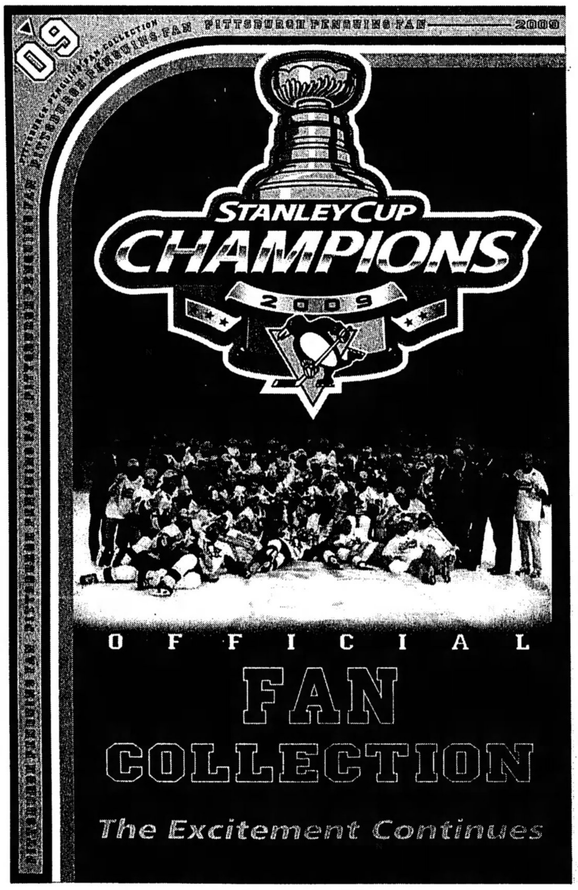
Cavaliers coach Mike Brown played his starters into the second half Tuesday night, while Mavericks coach Rick Carlisle didn't suit up three of his stars.

Cleveland, led by Mo Williams' 16 points and 11 assists, rolled to a 96-66 preseason victory.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas scored 16 points for the Cavaliers (3-3), who had five players in double figures. LeBron James and Anderson Varejao both scored 12 points as Brown kept his starters in the game until building a 30-point lead in the third quarter.

"I wish I could have played them more," Brown said. "When they were out there, they did some good things and they did some bad things. If we could've extended them into the fourth quarter, it would have been a good night for me."

James had four rebounds, seven assists, two steals and two blocks, while Shaquille O'Neal had six points and seven rebounds in 20 minutes. Brown lifted O'Neal with 5:50 remaining in the third and James with 3:45 left in the quarter.



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SPORTS DIGEST

California climbs in football polls

Thanks to six straight wins, California University's football team is back in the national polls.

The Vulcans are 18th in D2Football.com and 23rd in the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) rankings.

California is second in the Lambert poll behind Bloomsburg and third in the important Super One Region ranking behind Bloomsburg and Charleston, W.Va.

Team Pittsburgh to hear Stottlemyer

Pitt wrestling coach Rande Stottlemyer will be the guest speaker Thursday when the Team Pittsburgh Mon Valley Chapter gets together Thursday at Ponderosa Restaurant in Rostraver Township.

Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. with the meeting at 8 p.m.

The program is open to all Pitt fans.

TJ ticket sale scheduled at BVA

Tickets for Friday's Belle Vernon Area at Thomas Jefferson game will be on sale today and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the BVA athletic office.

Ticket prices are $6 for adults and $3 for students.

Thomas Jefferson is the lone Big 7 Conference school that starts its games at 7:30 p.m.

Monessen tops BVA in overtime

Mariah Johnson scored 20 points to lead Monessen Middle School's basketball team to a 27-26 overtime win over Belle Vernon Area. The win upped Monessen's record to 6-8.

Megan Staley's 12 points were high for BVA (12-9, 9-2).

BVA volleyballers sweep Charleroi

Belle Vernon Area High's volleyball team closed the season with a 3-0 senior night sweep over Charleroi.

Bryanna Lewis (11 kills), Natalie Lazar (25 assists) and Katrina Brooks (7 aces) led the Lady Leps to 25-16, 25-15 and 25-16 wins. BVA's seniors were Lewis, Lazar, Brooks, Ashley Fiorino, Emily Necciai and Cerria Vasquez.

MMBL meeting scheduled Thursday

A Monessen Midget Basketball League meeting is scheduled Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. All coaches are required to call Todd Rullo at (724) 244-4610 before the meeting.

BVA booters down Baldwin

Anthony Zenobi scored four goals to lead once-beaten Belle Vernon Area Junior High's soccer team to a 5-2 win at Baldwin.

The victory was the 50th for coach Rob Miele, whose Little Leps (15-1) play at Canon-McMillan today at 4 p.m.

Gannon booters sweep California

Cal U's soccer teams didn't have a good day in Erie Tuesday against Gannon. The No. 20 women's team dropped a 2-1 decision, with the men bowing 3-0. Freshman Carley Work scored for the Vulcans (12-4-1, 7-3-1). Gannon upped its overall record to 8-5-1 and PSAC West mark to 6-4-1.

The Cal men slipped to 10-5 and 2-5 in the PSAC west.

Both Cal teams resume Saturday at Lock Haven.

Trivia answer

Randy Holloway in 1984.

SPORTS HISTORY

30 Years Ago

Monessen slipped to 1-6 in the Big 10 Conference with a 42-0 loss to Brownsville at California State College's Adamson Stadium.

Jim Edwards and Don Pieri scored touchdowns in Charleroi's 13-6 win over Steel Valley.

Frazier nipped Mon Valley Catholic, 19-18, with Tom Oldham kicking the winning point after quarterback Mike Huwar went over from the two yard line on the game's last scrimmage play.

20 Years Ago

Butch Duncan threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score in Monessen's 20-12 win over Geibel.

Nick Milchovich ran for 176 yards in Charleroi's 39-16 win over Frazier.

Ringgold was a 16-0 loser in its home finale to unbeaten and top-ranked Upper St. Clair in the Quad West Conference.

Dwight Dupree ran for 113 yards on eight carries and scored two touchdowns in Belle Vernon Area's 48-0 rout at Uniontown.

10 Years Ago

Charleroi downed Monessen, 5-1, in the first soccer game at Memorial Stadium. Rob Maglicic had three goals and an assist for the Cougars.

Brooke Rebar and Tiffany Sauritch scored goals in unbeaten Charleroi's 2-1 win at Monessen.

SPORTS

NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	9	8	1	0	16	33	19
N.Y. Rangers	9	7	2	0	14	35	22
New Jersey	7	4	3	0	8	18	19
Philadelphia	6	3	2	1	7	21	19
N.Y. Islanders	6	0	3	3	3	13	23

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	7	5	2	0	10	22	16
Buffalo	6	4	1	1	9	18	12
Boston	7	3	4	0	6	20	23
Montreal	8	3	5	0	6	17	25
Toronto	7	0	6	1	1	14	32

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	8	4	2	2	10	29	24
Atlanta	6	4	1	1	9	21	15
Tampa Bay	7	2	3	2	6	17	27
Carolina	7	2	4	1	5	15	22
Florida	6	2	4	0	4	14	22

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	8	5	2	1	11	29	23
Columbus	7	5	2	0	10	21	18
St. Louis	7	3	3	1	7	20	20
Detroit	7	3	3	1	7	22	25
Nashville	7	2	4	1	5	10	23

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	8	6	1	1	13	28	18
Calgary	9	6	2	1	13	36	31
Edmonton	8	5	2	1	11	30	22
Vancouver	8	3	5	0	6	23	25
Minnesota	7	1	6	0	2	15	25

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	9	5	3	1	11	32	26
Phoenix	7	5	2	0	10	18	10
Los Angeles	9	5	4	0	10	28	29
Dallas	8	3	2	3	9	25	24
Anaheim	7	3	3	1	7	16	21

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Tuesday's Games

Pittsburgh 5, St. Louis 1
Montreal 2, Atlanta 1, SO
Calgary 6, Columbus 3

Today's Games

Nashville at Boston, 7 p.m.
Carolina at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Vancouver at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Dallas at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

Penguins summary

St. Louis	0	1	0	— 1
Pittsburgh	2	2	1	— 5

First Period-1, Pittsburgh, Kennedy 5 (McKee, Cooke), 11:19. 2, Pittsburgh, Malkin 4 (Guerin, Gonchar), 12:28 (pp). Penalties-Perron, StL (delay of game), 8:20; McDonald, StL (high-sticking), 12:09; Backes, StL (roughing), 19:44; Crosby, Pit (slashing), 19:44.

Second Period-3, Pittsburgh, Fedotenko 2 (Letang, Eaton), 7:29 (pp). 4, Pittsburgh, Cooke 2 (Letang, Staal), 8:05. 5, St. Louis, Kariya 4 (E.Johnson, Berglund), 12:54. Penalties-St. Louis bench, served by Tkachuk (too many men), 6:14; Perron, StL (cross-checking), 9:20; Pittsburgh bench, served by Malkin (too many men), 14:50.

Third Period-6, Pittsburgh, Goligoski 2 (Crosby, Kunitz), 9:44. Penalties-Crosby, Pit (holding), 4:17.

Shots-St. Louis 3-8-12-23. Pittsburgh 20-15-8-43.

Power-play-St. Louis 0 of 2; Pittsburgh 2 of 4.

Goalies-St. Louis, Mason 1-3-1 (35 shots-31 saves), Conklin (0:00 third, 8-7). Pittsburgh, Fleury 8-0-0 (23-22).

Att-17,132 (16,940). T-2:18.

Referees-Frederick L'Ecuyer, Paul Devorski. Linesmen-Brian Mach, Jay Sharrers.

Billiards

Donora Men's Pool League

Standings

Division A

American Legion, 39-12; Eagles 1, 3-20; PNA, 30-21; Hoot Owls, 26-25; St. Dominic's, 19-32.

Division B

Hungarian Club, 30-21; St. Mary's, 28-23; Eagles 2, 24-27; Rusin Club, 17-34; Firemen, 11-40.

Last week's resu;lts

PNA 10, Eagles 1 7
Hoot Owls 11, Rusin Club 6
St. Mary's 9, St. Dominic's 8
American Legion 11, Hungarian Club 6
Eagles 2 11, Firemen 6

Thursday

PNA at Firemen
Hoot Owls at Eagles 1
St. Dominic at Rusin Club
American Legion at St. Mary's
Eagles 2 at Hungarian Club

MLS standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
y-Columbus	13	6	10	49	41	30
Chicago	10	7	12	42	38	34
New England	10	10	9	39	32	37
Toronto FC	10	10	9	39	37	41
D.C.	9	8	12	39	41	42
Kansas City	8	13	8	32	31	40
New York	4	19	6	18	22	47

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Houston	12	8	9	45	36	27
x-Los Angeles	11	6	12	45	34	31
x-Chivas USA	13	9	6	45	32	27
x-Seattle	11	7	11	44	36	28
Colorado	10	9	10	40	42	35
FC Dallas	11	12	6	39	49	45
Real SaltLake	10	12	7	37	40	35
San Jose	7	13	9	30	36	48

x-clinched playoff berth
y-clinched conference

Thursday

Chivas USA at Chicago, 8 p.m.

Saturday

Toronto FC at New York, 7:30 p.m.
D.C. United at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Colorado at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
FC Dallas at Seattle , 10:30 p.m.
San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

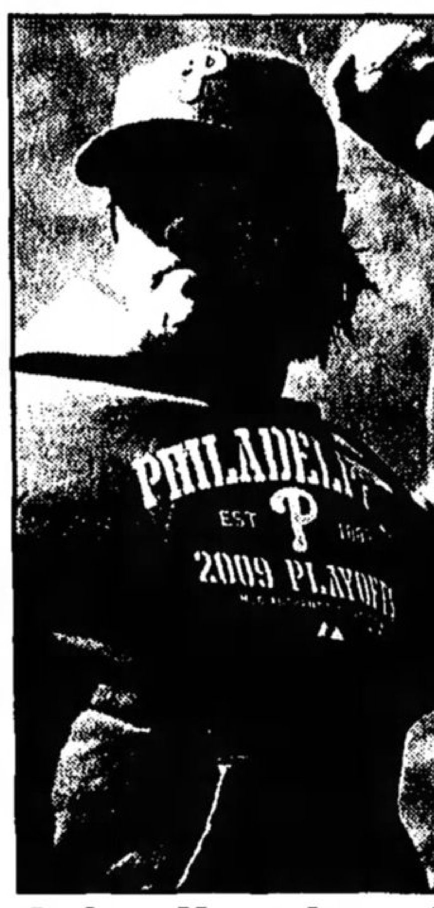
NBA preseason

Tuesday's Games

Charlotte 94, Milwaukee 87
Washington 90, Philadelphia 89
Cleveland 96, Dallas 66
New York 108, Boston 103
San Antonio 119, Oklahoma City 102
Denver 129, Minnesota 100
Utah 108, Portland 97
Phoenix 143, Sacramento 127
L.A. Lakers 113, Golden State 107
L.A. Clippers 108, Maccabi 96

Today's Games

Indiana at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Boston at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
New York at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Miami, 7:30 p.m.



Cole Hamels will pitch for the Phillies against the Dodgers at 8 p.m. on WTBS.

Sports dial

Today

Television

5 p.m. - TNT - Grand Slam of Golf, golf, tape.

8 p.m. - ESPN - Tulsa at UTEP, college football.

8 p.m. - WTBS - Los Angeles Dodgers at Philadelphia, baseball.

Radio

8 p.m. - WEAE (1250) - Los Angeles Dodgers at Philadelphia, baseball.

High school football

Class AAA

Big Seven Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
T. Jefferson	4	0	7	0
Chartiers Valley	4	1	6	1
West Mifflin	2	2	5	2
BV Area	2	2	4	3
Trinity	2	3	2	5
Elizabeth Forward	1	3	4	3
Ringgold	0	4	2	5

Friday

BV Area at T. Jefferson
Chartiers Valley at Elizabeth
West Mifflin at Ringgold

Keystone Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Greensburg Salem	4	0	6	1
Laurel Highlands	3	1	3	4
Uniontown	3	1	4	3
Derry	2	2	2	5
Albert Gallatin	2	3	3	4
Yough	1	4	1	6
S'moreland	0	4	0	7

Friday

Grb. Salem at Laurel Highlands
Albert Gallatin at Derry
Uniontown at S'moreland
Yough at Trinity

Class AA

Interstate Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Mt. Pleasant	7	0	7	0
Charleroi	5	2	5	2
Jeannette	5	2	5	2
McGuffey	5	2	5	2
Washington	5	2	5	2
Greensburg Central	5	2	5	2
Waynesburg	2	5	2	5
Brownsville	1	6	1	6
South Allegheny	0	7	0	7
East Allegheny	0	7	0	7

Friday

Charleroi at Washington
Jeannette at Mt. Pleasant
Brownsville at East Allegheny
Waynesburg at McGuffey

Class A

Tri-County South

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Monessen	5	0	5	2
Beth-Center	4	1	5	2
Jefferson-Morgan	3	2	5	2
California	3	2	4	3
Carmichaels	3	2	3	4
Geibel	1	4	2	5
Mapletown	1	4	1	6
West Greene	0	5	0	7

Friday

Monessen at Carmichaels
Jeff-Morgan at California
Geibel at Mapletown
West Greene at Beth-Center

Black Hills Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Clairton	5	0	6	1
Serra	4	1	6	1
Fort Cherry	3	2	5	2
Chartiers-Houston	2	3	4	3
Burgettstown	2	3	3	4
Frazier	2	3	3	4
Bentworth	1	4	2	5
Avella	1	4	2	5

Friday

Clairton at Avella
Frazier at Serra
C-Houston at Bentworth
Burgettstown at Fort Cherry

PSAC football

West Division

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
California	5	0	6	2
Edinboro	4	1	6	2
Clarion	4	1	5	3
Mercyhurst	3	2	4	4
Slippery Rock	2	3	5	3
Indiana	1	4	4	4
Gannon	1	4	3	5
Lock Haven	0	5	0	7

Saturday

Noon - Edinboroa at Mercyhurst

1 p.m. - California at Slippery Rock; Indiana at Clarion; Lock Haven at Gannon

Big East football

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
Pittsburgh	3	0	6	1
Cincinnati	2	0	6	0
West Virginia	1	0	5	1
USF	1	1	5	1
Connecticut	1	1	4	2
Rutgers	0	2	4	2
Louisville	0	2	2	4
Syracuse	0	2	2	4

Friday

Rutgers at Army, 8 p.m. (ESPN2)

Baseball playoffs

Tuesday

New York 10, Los Angeles 1, New York leads series 3-1

Today

Los Angeles (Padilla 4-0) at Philadelphia (Hamels 10-11), 8:07 p.m.

Thursday

New York (Burnett 13-9) at Los Angeles (Lackey 11-8), 7:57 p.m.

ALCS boxscore

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Jeter ss	5	0	2	0	Figgins 3b	4	0	0	0
Damon lf	5	1	1	2	BAreu rf	3	0	0	0
Teixeir 1b	5	1	1	0	TrHntr cf	3	0	0	0
ARdrgz 3b	4	3	3	2	Guerrr dh	4	0	1	0
Posada c	3	1	1	0	JRiver lf	4	0	1	0
HMatsu dh	5	0	0	0	HKndrc 2b	3	0	0	0
Cano 2b	4	2	1	1	MthwsJ ph	1	0	0	0
Swisher rf	2	0	0	0	KMorls 1b	3	1	1	1
Gardnr pr-cf	1	1	1	0	Napoli c	3	0	1	0
MeCarr cf-rf	4	1	3	4	EAyar ss	3	0	1	0
Totals	38	10	13	9	Totals	31	1	5	1

New York	000	320	023	— 10
Los Angeles	000	010	000	— 1

E—B.Abreu (1). DP—New York 1, Los Angeles 1. LOB—New York 9, Los Angeles 5. 2B—A.Rodriguez (1), Posada (1), Cano (1), Me.Cabrera (1). HR—Damon (2), A.Rodriguez (3), K.Morales (1). SB—A.Rodriguez (1), Posada (1). CS—Jeter (1), Gardner (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Sabathia W,2-0	8	5	1	1	2	5
Gaudin	1	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Kazmir L,0-1	4	6	4	4	4	3
Bulger	0	1	1	1	1	0
Oliver	1	1	0	0	0	1
E.Santana	2 1-3	1	1	1	1	3
Palmer	1 2-3	4	4	4	1	1

Kazmir pitched to 1 batter in the 5th.
Bulger pitched to 2 batters in the 5th.
HBP—by E.Santana (Swisher). WP—Kazmir.
T—3:38. A—45,160 (45,257).

Latest Line

BEST BET: Tulsa is only 2-5-1 vs. the spread its last 8 road games. Texas El Paso is 4-0 vs. the spread its last 4 games as a home underdog of 3 1/2 to 10 points. The Miners are also a solid 9-3 vs. the spread their last 12 home games vs. a team with a winning road record. The underdog is 4-1 vs. the spread the last 5 games in this series. Take Texas El Paso +7 1/2 for another Best Bet winner.

NFL

Favorite	Points	Underdog
Sunday, Oct 25		
Week Seven		
S. Diego	5 (44)	KC
Indianapolis	13 (46)	ST. LOUIS
CINCINNATI	1 1/2 (42)	Chicago
Green Bay	7 (42)	CLEVE.
PITTSBURGH	4 (45)	Minn.
a-N. England	14 1/2 (45)	T. Bay
HOUSTON	3 (44)	San Fran
NY-Jets	6 (35)	OAKLAND
CAROLINA	7 (38)	Buffalo
New Orleans	6 (47)	MIAMI
DALLAS	4 (47)	Atlanta
NY GIANTS	7 (46)	Arizona
Monday, Oct 26		
Philadelphia	7 (38)	WASH.

a-at London, England.

College Football

Favorite	Points	Underdog
Tulsa	7 1/2	TEX. EL PASO
Thursday, Oct 22		
N. CAROLINA	3	Florida St
Friday, Oct 23		
Rutgers	10	ARMY
Saturday, Oct 24		
MARSHALL	7	Ala-Birm.
SYRACUSE	10	Akron
DUKE	5	Maryland
Georgia Tech	4	VIRGINIA
MIAMI-FLA	6	Clemson
PURDUE	10 1/2	Illinois
C. Michigan	7	BOWLING GR.
N'WESTERN	5	Indiana
OHIO ST	18	Minnesota
PITTSBURGH	7	South Florida
W. VIRGINIA	7	Connecticut
S. CAROLINA	12 1/2	Vanderbilt
NEBRASKA	18	Iowa St
Ball St	3	E. MICHIGAN
N. Illinois	10 1/2	MIAMI-OHIO
Oklahoma St	10	BAYLOR
OHIO	10	Kent St
W. MICHIGAN	4 1/2	Buffalo
La Tech	2	UTAH ST
NOTRE DAME	8	Boston Coll.
ALABAMA	16	Tennessee
Oregon	8 1/2	WASHINGTON
TEXAS TECH	21	Texas A&M
Penn St	4 1/2	MICHIGAN
Oklahoma	8	KANSAS
Texas	13 1/2	MISSOURI
NAVY	2 1/2	Wake Forest
COLO. ST	8	San Diego St
UTAH	10	Air Force
NEVADA	13	Idaho
ARIZONA	8	Ucla
CALIFORNIA	36	Washington St
TOLEDO	3	Temple
MISSISSIPPI	5	Arkansas
CINCINNATI	18	Louisville
SO. MISS	21	Tulane
Central Fla	10 1/2	RICE
KANSAS ST	4	Colorado
Iowa	1	MICHIGAN ST
Tcu	1 1/2	BYU
Florida	23	MISS. ST
HOUSTON	16 1/2	Smu
Fresno St	26	N. MEXICO ST
LSU	8	Auburn
Unlv	3	NEW MEXICO
USC	21	Oregon St
STANFORD	6 1/2	Arizona St
Boise St	24	HAWAII
UL-LAFAYETTE	3	Florida Atlantic
ARK. ST	11	Fla Inter.
TROY	18 1/2	North Texas
KENTUCKY	17	UL-Monroe
MID. TN ST	18 1/2	W. Kentucky

Baseball

Favorite	Odds	Underdog
Thursday, Oct 15		
National League Championship Series		
Best of Seven		
Philadelphia leads series 3-1		
PHILA	6-7	LA Dodgers

NHL

Favorite	Points	Underdog
BOSTON	1/2-1	Nashville
Carolina	Even-1/2	NY ISL.
Buffalo	Even-1/2	FLORIDA
MINNESOTA	Even-1/2	Colorado
CHICAGO	1/2-1	Vancouver
ANAHEIM	Even-1/2	Dallas

Boys' soccer standings

Class AAA

Section 5

	Sec. W	Sec. L	Sec. T	Overall W	Overall L	Overall T
Peters Township	10	0	0	13	2	1
Upper St. Clair	8	2	0	15	2	1
Canon-McMillan	5	4	1	9	7	1
Moon	3	6	1	6	9	2
Ringgold	3	7	0	9	7	0
Trinity	0	10	0	2	15	0

Class AA

Section 3

	Sec. W	Sec. L	Sec. T	Overall W	Overall L	Overall T
South Park	13	1	0	16	2	0
S'moreland	12	1	1	13	3	1
BV Area	8	4	2	11	5	2
Th. Jefferson	8	5	1	9	8	1
Elizabeth Fwd.	7	7	0	9	9	0
Steel Valley	4	10	0	5	12	0
Uniontown	2	12	0	3	15	0
Yough	0	14	0	0	15	0

Tuesday

BV Area 12, Yough 1
T. Jefferson 3, Elizabeth 2
South Park 5, Steel Valley 0
S'moreland 7, Uniontown 0

Class A

Section 1

	Sec. W	Sec. L	Sec. T	Overall W	Overall L	Overall T
Grb. Central	14	0	0	14	4	0
Serra	10	4	0	13	5	0
Trinity Christian	10	4	0	11	7	0
Winch. Thurston	8	5	1	9	6	1
Geibel	7	7	0	11	7	0
California	4	9	1	7	11	1
South Allegheny	2	12	0	2	15	0
Brownsville	0	14	0	0	18	0

Tuesday

Grb. Central 10, California 4
Geibel 5, Brownsville 1
Serra 4, South Allegheny 1
W. Thurston 1, Trinity Christian 0

Section 4

	Sec. W	Sec. L	Sec. T	Overall W	Overall L	Overall T
Carlynton	11	0	1	15	1	2
Bentworth	8	2	2	9	7	1
Charleroi	8	4	0	11	6	0
C-Houston	6	4	2	6	9	3
Monessen	2	8	2	5	10	2
Beth-Center	2	10	0	6	11	0
Brentwood	1	10	1	2	12	1

Tuesday

Charleroi 4, Monessen 0
Bentworth 5, Beth-Center 4
Carlynton 7, Brentwood 0
Sacred Heart 5, C-Houston 2

Sports moves

BASEBALL

American League

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with general manager Ned Colletti on a contract extension.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Named Rick Peterson pitching coach.

NEW YORK METS—Released LHP Ken Takahashi.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Sent RHP Denny Bautista, RHP Chris Bootcheck and RHP Craig Hansen outright to the minor leagues. Announced RHP Chris Bootcheck declined the assignment and elected free agency.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

ATLANTA HAWKS—Released G Mike Wilks and G Juan Dixon.

MIAMI HEAT—Exercised the third-year contract option on F Michal Beasley and fourth-year contract option on G Daequan Cook. Waived F Anthony Tolliver.

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Acquired F Nathan Jawai and cash from the Dallas Mavericks for a conditional second-round draft pick in 2012.

WNBA

WNBA—Announced the Detroit Shock are moving to Tulsa, Okla.

TULSA—Named Nolan Richardson coach and general manager.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed S Jamaal Fudge. Placed CB Brian Williams on injured reserve.

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Waived DT Antwon Burton. Signed DT Rashaad Duncan to the practice squad. Released DT Terrance Taylor from the practice squad.

CHICAGO BEARS—Agreed to a contract extension with QB Jay Cutler through the 2013 season.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed DT Orien Harris.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Placed LB D'Qwell Jackson on injured reserve. Signed DL Keith Grennan to the practice squad. Released DL Carlton Powell from the practice squad.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed OT Lydon Murtha off the Detroit practice squad. Waived G Shawn Murphy.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Released WR Joey Galloway and TE Michael Matthews.

NEW YORK JETS—Placed NT Kris Jenkins injured reserve. Re-signed DT Howard Green. Signed DT Antonio Garay to the practice squad.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Acquired LB Will Witherspoon from St. Louis for WR Brandon Gibson and a 2010 fifth-round draft pick.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Waived T Kyle Williams.

TAMPA BY BUCCANEERS—Placed FB B.J. Askew on non-football injury list. Signed CB Marcus McCauley. Released CB Derrick Roberson from active roster and re-signed to practice squad.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ATLANTA THRASHERS—Signed C Rich Peverley to a multi-year contract extension.

BUFFALO SABRES—Traded LW Daniel Paille to the Boston Bruins for a third- and a conditional fourth-round draft pick in 2010.

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Acquired D Michael Ratchuk from Philadelphia for RW Stefan Legein and assigned him to Syracuse (AHL).

LOS ANGELES KINGS—Assigned F Oscar Moller to Manchester (AHL).

MINNESOTA WILD—Assigned D Jaime Sifers to Houston (AHL).

NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Recalled D Alexander Sulzer and F Dave Scratchard from Milwaukee (AHL). Assigned D Teemu Laakso to Milwaukee.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Announced that D Cory Murphy cleared walvers and was assigned to Lowell (AHL).

OTTAWA SENATORS—Signed D Matt Carkner to a two-year contract extension.

AFC leaders

Quarterbacks

	Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int
P. Manning,IND	181	133	1645	12	4
R'berger, PIT	207	150	1887	10	6
Schaub, HOU	219	143	1810	14	5
Orton, DEN	194	124	1465	9	1
Brady, NWE	241	156	1724	12	2
Flacco, BAL	225	145	1674	11	5
P. Rivers,SND	183	108	1519	7	3
Garrard, JAC	212	130	1464	5	3
Cassel, KAN	162	93	897	7	2
C. Palmer,CIN	203	120	1375	8	7

Rushers

	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
C. Johnson,TEN	95	596	6.27	91t	2
Benson, CIN	127	531	4.18	28t	4
T. Jones,NYJ	96	481	5.01	71t	6
Jones-Drew, JAC	108	463	4.29	61t	8
Ro. Brown,MIA	93	443	4.76	38	6
R. Rice,BAL	73	441	6.04	50	3
F. Jackson,BUF	98	415	4.23	43	0
Moreno, DEN	99	381	3.85	17	1
Mendenhall, PIT	68	349	5.13	39	4
Washington,NYJ	70	324	4.63	33	0

Receivers

	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
H. Ward,PIT	41	599	14.6	52t	2
R. Moss,NWE	38	496	13.1	40t	4
Johnson,HOU	36	572	15.9	72t	4
Welker, NWE	36	377	10.5	48	3
Dal. Clark,IND	35	441	12.6	80t	2
H. Miller,PIT	34	315	9.3	25	4
R. Rice,BAL	33	325	9.8	63	1
Wayne, IND	32	459	14.3	39	4
O. Daniels,HOU	32	374	11.7	44	4
Ochocinco, CIN	29	455	15.7	50	3

Scoring

Touchdowns

	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts
Jones-Drew, JAC	8	8	0	0	48
McGahee, BAL	7	5	2	0	42
Ro. Brown,MIA	6	6	0	0	36
T. Jones,NYJ	6	6	0	0	36
Addai, IND	4	3	1	0	24
Benson, CIN	4	4	0	0	24
O. Daniels,HOU	4	0	4	0	24
A. Johnson,HOU	4	0	4	0	24
Jac. Jones,HOU	4	0	3	1	24
B. Marshall,DEN	4	0	4	0	24

Kicking

	PAT	FG	LG	Pts
Gostkowski, NE	16-16	13-16	53	55
Prater, DEN	13-13	12-16	50	49
Kaeding, SND	13-13	11-13	50	46
Feely, NYJ	12-12	10-11	43	42
Lindell, BUF	9-9	10-12	47	39
Je. Reed,PIT	17-17	7-10	46	38
Hauschka, BAL	22-22	5-7	44	37
Scobee, JAC	12-12	8-12	52	36
Succop, KAN	9-9	9-10	53	36
Vinatieri, IND	17-17	6-8	48	35

NFC leaders

Quarterbacks

	Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int
Brees, NOR	159	110	1400	13	2
Favre, MIN	178	124	1347	12	2
Rodgers, GBY	164	106	1456	8	2
Manning,NYG	166	101	1390	11	3
M. Ryan,ATL	156	101	1162	9	4
McNabb, PHL	85	48	612	5	1
Warner, ARI	201	138	1441	8	5
Kolb, PHL	96	62	741	4	3
Cutler, CHI	172	110	1201	10	7
Romo, DAL	165	96	1341	6	4

Rushers

	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
A. Peterson,MIN	121	624	5.16	64t	7
S. Jackson,STL	120	501	4.18	58	0
Portis, WAS	106	447	4.22	78	1
Bradshaw, NYG	68	423	6.22	38	3
Jacobs, NYG	107	388	3.63	31	1
D. Williams,CAR	89	372	4.18	20t	4
M. Turner,ATL	100	353	3.53	33	6
K. Smith,DET	109	348	3.19	20	3
R. Grant,GBY	91	347	3.81	22	2
M. Barber,DAL	58	297	5.12	35	3

Receivers

	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
St. Smith,NYG	41	525	12.8	43	4
Fitzgerald, ARI	35	360	10.3	26t	5
Burleson, SEA	32	398	12.4	44t	3
H'zadeh, SEA	31	359	11.6	34t	2
Celek, PHL	30	378	12.6	42	2
Boldin, ARI	29	306	10.6	20	1
Winslow, TAM	29	286	9.9	42t	4
Hightower, ARI	29	228	7.9	23	0
Witten, DAL	28	259	9.3	22	1
R. White,ATL	27	385	14.3	90t	4

Scoring

Touchdowns

	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts
A. Peterson,MIN	7	7	0	0	42
M. Turner,ATL	6	6	0	0	36
Fitzgerald, ARI	5	0	5	0	30
Shiancoe, MIN	5	0	5	0	30
Colston, NOR	4	0	4	0	24
Gore, SNF	4	3	1	0	24
Knox, CHI	4	0	3	1	24
Manningham, NYG	4	0	4	0	24
St. Smith,NYG	4	0	4	0	24
R. White,ATL	4	0	4	0	24

Kicking

	PAT	FG	LG	Pts
Tynes, NYG	19-19	15-18	49	64
Longwell, MIN	22-22	11-12	52	55
Crosby, GBY	11-12	11-13	52	44
Akers, PHL	15-15	9-12	49	42
Carney, NOR	24-25	6-7	39	42
Mare, SEA	13-13	9-11	47	40
Ja. Hanson,DET	10-10	9-10	48	37
Folk, DAL	12-12	8-10	51	36
Nedney, SNF	13-13	7-9	50	34
Rackers, ARI	13-13	7-8	45	34

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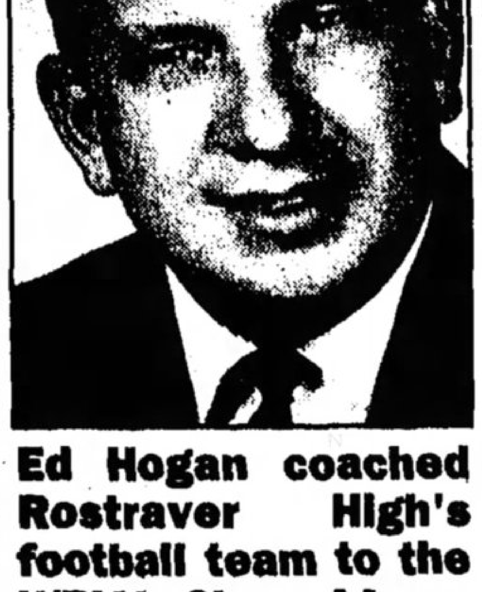

Ed Hogan coached Rostraver High's football team to the WPIAL Class AA co-championship with Carmichaels in 1962.

NFL standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	4	2	0	.667	163	91
N.Y. Jets	3	3	0	.500	114	104
Miami	2	3	0	.400	112	106
Buffalo	2	4	0	.333	93	129

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	5	0	0	1.000	137	71
Jacksonville	3	3	0	.500	120	147
Houston	3	3	0	.500	143	137
Tennessee	0	6	0	.000	84	198

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	118	118
Pittsburgh	4	2	0	.667	140	112
Baltimore	3	3	0	.500	169	130
Cleveland	1	5	0	.167	69	148

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	6	0	0	1.000	133	66
San Diego	2	3	0	.400	124	136
Oakland	2	4	0	.333	62	139
Kansas City	1	5	0	.167	98	144

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	5	1	0	.833	178	119
Dallas	3	2	0	.600	122	98
Philadelphia	3	2	0	.600	136	99
Washington	2	4	0	.333	79	96

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	5	0	0	1.000	192	93
Atlanta	4	1	0	.800	123	77
Carolina	2	3	0	.400	85	125
Tampa Bay	0	6	0	.000	89	168

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	6	0	0	1.000	189	121
Green Bay	3	2	0	.600	130	93
Chicago	3	2	0	.600	119	99
Detroit	1	5	0	.167	103	188

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	3	2	0	.600	112	98
Arizona	3	2	0	.600	112	92
Seattle	2	4	0	.333	118	109
St. Louis	0	6	0	.000	54	169

Sunday, Oct. 25

Minnesota at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
New England at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Carolina, 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.
Chicago at Cincinnati, 4:15 p.m.
New Orleans at Miami, 4:15 p.m.
Arizona at N.Y. Giants, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 26

Philadelphia at Washington, 8:30 p.m.

Steelers

(FROM PAGE ONE)

Wilson and star linebacker James Harrison were arrested on domestic violence charges.

Wilson was cut, and the team released statement saying it would "not tolerate this type of conduct." Harrison stayed with the club and eventually signed a $51-million contract.

Charges against Harrison were dropped, but this is what the spokesman for the district attorney said that day: "(Harrison) has entered domestic abuse counseling. The victim did not request any further restitution, and the victim did not wish to pursue further prosecution."

Reed's alleged conduct is nowhere near as disturbing as Harrison's alleged conduct was, though Tomlin left the distinct impression it isn't exactly welcomed, either.

"Anything that sheds a negative light on this organization or its players is a distraction," Tomlin said. "It's not something that's pleasant, but I'm paid and paid well to deal with it."

The man earned his money yesterday.

Oliver

(FROM PAGE ONE)

the water just gathers and has nowhere to go and the stadium, itself, leaks like a sieve.

It was interesting for me to try and interview Coach Luke Mollis in the coaches' room after the game with drops of water landing on my head.

Good thing Mollis isn't long-winded, or my standing there would have been akin to going through Chinese water torture.

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TV LISTINGS

Friend involved with married man will have to go it alone

Dear **ABBY**

DEAR ABBY: My best friend "Jenny's" husband died four years ago. They had been married 28 years, and she has grieved hard for him.

She has been looking for a relationship because she wants a man in her life.

Three months ago, she ran into a married man she knew through her former job. (I'll call him "George.")

They were casual acquaintances but, when George learned she was a widow, he immediately asked for her phone number.

He called the next day, they talked, he visited her at her home, and they had unprotected sex.

They now see each other once or twice a week and have sex. That's all they do.

Jenny says she's in love with him. She talks about him constantly and says she's very happy.

My husband and I were at a club the other night and saw George in the company of another woman. I haven't told Jenny because she doesn't want to be told if her man is cheating on her. She says that what she doesn't know won't hurt her.

I disagree. If he's having unprotected sex with her, it's probably the same with the other woman. George appears to be a player and Jenny has blinders on. I'm worried about her.

I don't want to ruin our friendship. We love each other like sisters. But I hate seeing her used like this. What should I do? My husband says leave it alone — she'll find out anyway. — **DISMAYED IN DALLAS**

DEAR DISMAYED: When someone tells you she doesn't want to know if her man is cheating on her and what she doesn't know won't hurt her, take it from me, she already knows he probably is. And by the way, George isn't "her" man — he is his wife's man. How do you know he wasn't with his wife that night at the club?

You may love Jenny like a sister, but you can't save her. Your husband is right. Leave it alone.

DEAR ABBY: I work for a small company where I'm one of 12 employees under one manager. My boss, "Debbie," is having problems at home. Almost daily, she brings her not-so-sunny outlook to the office and proceeds to drag everyone else down.

Any time a colleague has something positive to share, Debbie finds a way to negate it. If someone mentions it's nice weather, she'll complain about how much yard work she needs to do and the disastrous effects of global warming. She even complained that a pregnant co-worker's impending maternity leave will be "inconvenient."

The woman thrives on negativity, chaos and stress. She even complains about happy times of the year like summer vacations and holidays because we tend to be busier. (Isn't that a good thing considering the economic climate?)

Our office is small, so there's no escaping her. If she's not complaining to us, she's telling the same sob stories to a client on the phone. What can my co-workers and I do to keep from being dragged down with her? — **WORKING FOR "DEBBIE DOWNER INC."**

DEAR WORKING: You and your co-workers should talk to your employer as a group because "Debbie's" behavior is neither professional nor conducive to a healthy working environment. Your boss should also be told that she is sharing her "sob stories" with clients, because it could cost him business.

Debbie may or may not need psychological counseling, but she definitely needs to be "counseled" about leaving her personal problems at the door when she enters the work environment. And the person to stress that to her is HER boss.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING — OCTOBER 21, 2009

	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30	12AM	12:30	1AM	1:30	2AM	2:30
CBS (2) KDKA (7) WTRF (10) WTAJ	(2) KDKA-TV News at Six (7) News (10) WTAJ News at 6	(7) (10) CBS Evening News With Katie Couric (N)	(2) CBS Evening News-Couric (7) Entertainment (10) Inside	(2) The Insider (N) (7) Inside Edition (N) (10) Two and a Half Men	The New Adventures of Old Christine Intricate relationship. (N)	Gary Unmarried "Gary on the Air" Gary does the sports report. (N)	Criminal Minds "Cradle to Grave" The team hunts a suspect who impregnates and kills young women. (N)		CSI: NY "Battle Scars" The CSIs investigate the underground world of hip-hop dance battles. (N)		(2) KDKA-TV News at 11 (7) News (10) WTAJ News at 11	(:35) Late Show With David Letterman Paul McCartney; Bruce Willis.		(:37) The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson James Spader; Cathy Ladman.		(2) (:37) Extra (7) (:37) The Dr. Oz Show (10) (:37) Paid Programming	(2) (:07) Healing Foods Healthy Juice in Seconds. (10) (:07) Paid Programming	(2) (:37) Paid Programming (7) (10) (:37) Up to the Minute (N)
ABC (4) WTAE (23) WATM	(4) Action News at 6 (23) Deal No	ABC's World News With Charles Gibson (N)	(4) Mayoral Debate (23) Jeopardy! (N)	(23) Wheel of Fortune "Welcome Aboard" (N)	Hank Hank overachieves as a household-band. (N)	The Middle "The Trip" Class trip. (N)	Modern Family Tense family barbecue. (N)	Cougar Town Boosting Bobby's self-confidence.	(:01) Eastwick "Mooning and Crooning" Mia and Roxie find themselves in an embarrassing predicament.		(4) Ch. 4 Action News at 11 (23) News	(:35) Nightline (N)	(12:06) Jimmy Salma Hayek; Rico Rodriguez; Dead by Sunrise. (N)	Kimmel Live	(4) (:06) Oprah Winfrey (23) (:06) Paid Programming	(23) (:37) Paid Programming	(4) (:06) Inside Edition (N) (23) (:07) Jerry Springer (N)	(4) (:36) Entertainment Tonight Michael Buble. (N)
NBC (6) WJAC (9) WTOV (11) WPXI	(6) WJAC-TV News at 6 PM (N) (9) News (N) (11) Channel 11 News (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	(6) Entertainment Tonight Michael Buble. (N) (9) (11) Jeopardy! (N)	(6) Who Wants to Be a Millionaire (9) (11) Wheel of Fortune	Mercy "You Lost Me With the Cinder Block" Veronica tries to save a pregnant woman in the aftermath of a car wreck. (N)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Hardwired" A boy is raped by a civil rights leader. (N)		The Jay Leno Show Rainn Wilson; Mikey Day. (N)		(6) WJAC-TV News (9) News (11) News	(:35) The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien Jennifer Aniston; Melanie Oudin; Phoenix.		(:37) Late Night With Jimmy Fallon Elijah Wood; John Fogerty.		(:36) Last Call With Carson Daly Mike Henry; Chris Hui.	(:05) Poker After Dark Taylor Caby; Cole South; Gabe Kaplan; David Benefield; Doyle Brunson; Eli Elezra.	
FOX (8) WWCP (53) WPGH	(8) Seinfeld (53) Two and a Half Men	(8) The Simpsons (53) My Name Is Earl	(8) That '70s Show (53) Two and a Half Men	(8) My Name Is Earl (53) Seinfeld	So You Think You Can Dance Dancers compete in the third part of the Las Vegas round. (N)		Glee "Mash Up" Will composes a mash-up for a special occasion. (N)		(8) News (53) Channel 11 News	(8) (:35) My Name Is Earl (53) "The Magic Hour"	(8) (:05) Everybody Loves Raymond (53) Seinfeld	(8) (:35) Seinfeld (53) My Name Is Earl	(8) Star Trek: The Next Generation (53) Frasier	(53) Paid Programming	(8) "The Night Listener" (53) Paid Programming	(53) Slim Down 2 Dress Sizes Instantly!	(53) George Lopez "George's Grand Slam"	(53) Tyler Perry's House of Payne Camping trip.
(13) WQED	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Nightly Business Report	OnQ	Great Performances Gustavo Dudamel's debut as music director of the Los Angeles Philharmonic. (N)				Art in the Twenty-First Century "Transformation"		Charlie Rose (N)		OnQ	Smart Travels: Europe	Great Performances Gustavo Dudamel's debut as music director of the Los Angeles Philharmonic.			
(19) WPCW	The People's Court (N)		The Office	The Office	America's Next Top Model "Interview 101" (N)		Melrose Place Riley arrives at her photo shoot.		10 O'Clock News	The Nightly Sports Call	Everybody Raymond	Malcolm in the Middle	According to Jim	King of the Hill	South Park	Mike Tomlin Show	Paid Programming	Roseanne
(22) WPMY	Simpsons	Family Guy	Simpsons	Family Guy	The Unit "Dedication"		The Unit "SERE"		Law & Order: SVU		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Net Millions	Paid Prog	Bernie Mac	My Wife	Half & Half	Half & Half
(40) WPCB	The 700 Club		Focus 4		Richard Wurmbrand; Apostle Paul			Aspiring	With Arlene	Quick Study	Nwswtch	The Place for Miracles		Theater	Focus 4		Gospel	Tripp
(59) WBGN	Punk'd	Sports Talk	Sports Talk		The FBI Files "Lost Boys"		Laguna	RENO 911!	The FBI Files "Lost Boys"		Cheaters	Laguna	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
A&E	CSI: Miami "Money Plane"		Criminal Minds "Distress"		Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog the Bounty Hunter		Manhunters	Manhunters	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog the Bounty Hunter	
ABCFAM	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	'70s Show	'70s Show	★★★ "Beetlejuice" (1988) Michael Keaton.				Funniest Home Videos		The 700 Club		Whose Line?	Whose Line?	Paid Prog	Cricut Exp.	Net Millions	Paid Prog
AMC	(5:30) ★★ "Stripes" (1981, Comedy) Bill Murray.				★★★ "Ghostbusters" (1964, Comedy) Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd.					★★ "Ghostbusters II" (1989, Comedy) Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd.					★★ "K-9: P.I." (2002) James Belushi, Gary Basaraba			
ANPL	Untamed and Uncut		Lions of Crocodile River		Untamed and Uncut		Sasquatch: Legend		River Monsters		Untamed and Uncut		Sasquatch: Legend		River Monsters		Lions of Crocodile River	
BBC	Ramsay's Kitchen		BBC World News America		Ramsay's Kitchen		Mary, Queen of Shops (N)		BBC World News America		Ramsay's Kitchen		Mary, Queen of Shops		Ramsay's Kitchen		Mary, Queen of Shops	
BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live Top 10 countdown. (Live)				★★ "ATL" (2006) Tip "T.I." Harris, Lauren London.					First In (N)	The Mo'Nique Show (N)		The Wendy Williams Show		★★ "Tales From the Hood" (1995) Joe Torry			
BRAVO	Top Chef: Las Vegas		Top Chef: Las Vegas		Top Chef: Las Vegas		Top Chef: Las Vegas		Top Chef: Las Vegas (N)		(:15) Top Chef: Las Vegas			Top Chef: Las Vegas	(:45) Top Chef: Las Vegas			
CMT	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "White Family"				Smarter	Smarter	★★ "Footloose" (1984, Drama) Kevin Bacon, Lori Singer.					Smarter	Smarter	★★ "Footloose" (1984, Drama) Kevin Bacon, Lori Singer.				
CNBC	Mad Money		Kudlow Report		Biography on CNBC		American Greed		American Greed		Mad Money		Biography on CNBC		American Greed		Net Millions	Paid Prog
CNN	Situation Room-Wolf Blitzer		Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		CNN Presents "Latino in America" (N)				Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Presents "Latino in America"				Anderson Cooper 360	
COM	Senior Ski	RENO 911!	Daily Show	Colbert	Scrubs	Scrubs	South Park	Michael	South Park	Girlfriend	Daily Show	Colbert	South Park	Girlfriend	Futurama	Daily Show	Colbert	Louis CK
CSPAN	(5:00) House of Representatives				Tonight From Washington						Capital News Today						Today in Washington	
DISC	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters (N)		Time Warp Crushing cars.		MythBusters				Time Warp Crushing cars.		Cash Cab	Cash Cab
DISNEY	Phineas-Ferb	Zack & Cody	Wizards	Montana	"Mom's Got a Date With a Vampire"			Phineas-Ferb	Phineas-Ferb	Montana	Wizards	That's-Raven	Life Derek	Cory	Replace	Kim Possible	Emperor	Dragon
E!	20 Billionaire Heiresses		E! News (N)	The Daily 10	Kardashians	Kourtney	Take Miami	Take Miami	Courtney Cox: THS		Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	Girls	Courtney Cox: THS		Girls	Chelsea
ESPN	SportsCenter (Live)		Baseball	NFL Live	College Football Tulsa at Texas-El Paso. (Live)						SportsCenter (Live)		Baseball	NFL Live (N)	SportsCenter (Live)		SportsCenter (Live)	
ESPNC	College Football		NBA Finals Films: 76ers		Boxing: Lowey vs. Morales		Boxing		Boxing		AWA Wrestling		American Gladiators		Boxing		Boxing: Freitas vs. Kotey	
ESPN2	Horn	Interruption	SportsNation		30 for 30		30 for 30		2009 World Series of Poker		2009 World Series of Poker		SportsNation		NASCAR	2009 World Series of Poker		World Series
EWTN	Catholic	Theology	Daily Mass: Our Lady		EWTN Live		Super Saints	Holy Rosary	White dove of Peace		Faith-Culture	Heritage	Daily Mass: Our Lady		EWTN Live		Letter-Spirit	Marriage
FNC	Special Report		FOX Report-Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (N)		Hannity (N)		On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		On the Record		Glenn Beck	
FOOD	Paula's	Minute	Challenge		Tailgate Warriors-Guy Fieri		Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Dinner: Impossible (N)		Good Eats	Unwrapped	Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Dinner: Impossible		Good Eats	Unwrapped
FSN	Magazine	Football	Penn State	Penn State	WVU Foot	Pitt Football	Big East	N.D. Football	Raw Tapes	Final Score	Reloaded	Final Score	Hooters Dream Girl		Final Score	Final Score	Savran on SportsBeat	
FX	(5:00) ★★★ "The Italian Job" (2003)				★★★ "The Devil Wears Prada" (2006) Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway.				Nip/Tuck "Enigma" (N)		Nip/Tuck "Enigma"		Sunny	Sunny	'70s Show	'70s Show	Paid Prog	Baby Read
GOLF	Golf Central	Top 10	The Golf Fix	U.S. Open Golf Highlights		Top 10	Big Break Disney Golf		British Open 2000		Golf	Golf Central	Big Break Disney Golf		British Open 2000		U.S. Open Golf Highlights	
GSN	Newlywed	Catch 21	Deal or No Deal		Family Feud	Family Feud	Newlywed	Catch 21	Millionaire	Lingo	Deal or No Deal		Be a Millionaire		Jeopardy!	Hollywood	Pyramid	Pyramid
HALL	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Touched by an Angel		"The Note" (2007) Genie Francis, Ted McGinley.				Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Cheers	Cheers
HGTV	To Sell	Beyond Box	House	House	Property	Property	House	Income Prop.	House	Renovation	Haulin	First Place	House	Income Prop.	House	Renovation	Haulin	First Place
HIST	Hooked: Illegal Drugs		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Nostradamus Effect (N)		MysteryQuest (N)		The Nazi Expedition		(12:01) Modern Marvels		(:01) Nostradamus Effect		(:01) MysteryQuest	
LIFE	Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Medium		★★★ "Disclosure" (1994, Suspense) Michael Douglas, Demi Moore.						Frasier	Frasier	Will & Grace	Medium		Paid Prog.
MSNBC	The Ed Show (N)		Hardball		Countdown-Olbermann		The Rachel Maddow Show		Countdown-Olbermann		The Rachel Maddow Show		Hardball		Countdown-Olbermann		The Rachel Maddow Show	
MTV	Disaster	Parental	True Life		The City	The Hills	Real World-Road Rules		Real World-Road Rules		Real World-Road Rules		The Hills	The City	Gone Too Far "Gina"		Real World-Road Rules	
NICK	iCarly	Jackson	iCarly	SpongeBob	Glenn Martin	Malcolm	Hates Chris	Hates Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	Lopez	Lopez	Hates Chris	Hates Chris
OXY	To Be Announced				★★ "Legally Blonde" (2001) Reese Witherspoon.				To Be Announced				The Tyra Show		The Tyra Show		Snapped	Snapped
PCN	PCN Tours		PCN Call-In (Live)		PCN Primetime - pcntv.com				PCN Evening - pcntv.com				PCN Late Night - pcntv.com				Deutsche Welle News	
PCNC	Pittsburgh Now		News	Psychiatric	NightTalk		PCNC News		NightTalk		Pittsburgh	Fedko Fone	PCNC News	PCNC News		Paid Prog.	NightTalk	
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		UFC Unleashed		UFC Unleashed (N)		The Ultimate Fighter (N)		UFC Countdown: Machida		The Ultimate Fighter		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		Star Trek: Voyager	
SYFY	"Interview-Vamp"		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters (N)		Destination Truth (N)		Ghost Hunters		Destination Truth		The X-Files "Home"		The X-Files	
TBS	Seinfeld	The Office	Name Is Earl	Pregame	MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at Philadelphia Phillies. (Live)							MLB Post	Name Is Earl	Sex and City	★★★ "Starship Troopers" (1997) Casper Van Dien.			
TCM	(:15) ★★ "Return From the Ashes" (1965, Suspense)				★★★★ "Dodsworth" (1936) Walter Huston.				★★★★ "The Third Man" (1949) Orson Welles.				★★★ "Suspicion" (1941) Cary Grant. (DVS)				"Mr. Blandings"	
TLC	Dress	Dress	King-Crown	King-Crown	Pregnant	Pregnant	King-Crown	King-Crown	Toddlers & Tiaras (N)		Pregnant	Pregnant	King-Crown	King-Crown	Toddlers & Tiaras		King-Crown	King-Crown
TNT	(5:00) Golf PGA Grand Slam of Golf -- Day Two. (Live)						Bones "A Boy in a Tree"		Leverage		Dark Blue "August"		Leverage		Dark Blue "August"		Cold Case "Baby Blues"	
TOON	(5:30) "Casper: A Spirited Beginning"				★★★ "The Witches" (1990) Anjelica Huston. Premiere.			Othersiders	King of Hill	King of Hill	Family Guy	Family Guy	Chicken	Hungerforce	Stroker-Hoop	Awesome	King of Hill	King of Hill
TRAVEL	Top Ten Wildlife Parks		Ext. Alaskan		Extreme Competitions (N)		Man v. Food	Man v. Food	Man v. Food	Man v. Food	Man v. Food	Man v. Food	Extreme Competitions		Man v. Food	Man v. Food	Man v. Food	Man v. Food
TRUTV	Wildest Police Videos		Cops	Cops	Most Daring		Most Daring (N)		Most Shocking		Forensic	Forensic	Most Daring		Most Daring		Most Shocking	
TVLAND	Little House on the Prairie		Hogan	Hogan	Hogan	Hogan	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby Show	Cosby Show
USA	NCIS "SWAK"		NCIS "Stakeout"		NCIS "Collateral Damage"		NCIS "Cloak"		NCIS "Dagger"		★★ "The Skeleton Key" (2005) Kate Hudson.				In Plain Sight		★★★ "Frailty" (2002)	
VH1	Tool Academy		Tool Academy		My Antonio		Real Chance of Love		Real Chance of Love		Eddie Griffin	★★★ "Higher Learning" (1995, Drama) Omar Epps, Kristy Swanson.					I Want to Work for Diddy	
VS.	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports Soup	World Extreme Cagefighting				WEC WrekCage		World Extreme Cagefighting				WEC WrekCage		Sports	Sports Soup
WE	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Ghost Whisperer		60 Minutes		60 Minutes		60 Minutes		The Locator	The Locator	Adoption	Adoption	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator
WGN	Becker	Becker	Funniest Home Videos		★ "Once Bitten" (1985, Comedy) Lauren Hutton.				WGN News at Nine (N)		Scrubs	Scrubs	South Park	South Park	Star Trek: Next Gener.		The Bob & Tom Show	
ENC	Enchanted	(:20) ★★★ "Bridget Jones's Diary"			"Soldier" (1998, Action) Bobby Deol.			(:40) ★★ "Unlawful Entry" (1992) Kurt Russell.				(:35) ★★ "First Sunday" (2008)			(:15) ★★ "Walk Hard: The Dewey Cox Story" (2007)			
HBO	(5:45) ★★★ "The Fifth Element" (1997) Bruce Willis.				★★★ "Marley & Me" (2008) Owen Wilson.				Bored	Curb-Enthsm	Real Time With Bill Maher		Amelia: 1st	(:20) ★★ "The Hammer" (2007)			Wanda Sykes: I'ma Be Me	
MAX	(:15) ★ "What Happens in Vegas" (2008)				★★★ "Speed" (1994, Action) Keanu Reeves.				★★ "Mamma Mia!" (2008) Meryl Streep.				(11:50) ★★★ "Role Models" (2008)				"Co-ed Confidential 3: Spring Break 2"	
SHOW	(5:55) ★★ "The Mist" (2007, Horror) Thomas Jane. ITV.				Lock 'n Load	Lock 'n Load	Inside the NFL (N)		Dexter (iTV)		Inside the NFL (iTV)		Californ	Lock 'n Load	★ "Penitentiary II" (1982) iTV Premiere.			Poor Boy
STARZ	(4:50) "Seven Pounds"		(:05) ★★ "You Don't Mess With the Zohan" (2008)				Crash		★★ "The House Bunny" (2008)			(:40) Crash		(:40) ★★ "Snow Dogs" (2002) Cuba Gooding Jr.				Swing Vote
TMC	★★★ "A Room With a View" (1986) Maggie Smith				★★ "The Nanny Diaries" (2007) Scarlett Johansson.				"Carolina" (2003) Julia Stiles.			(:40) ★ "Skinwalkers" (2007) Jason Behr.			(:15) ★★ "Diary of a Serial Killer" (1997)			Insatiable

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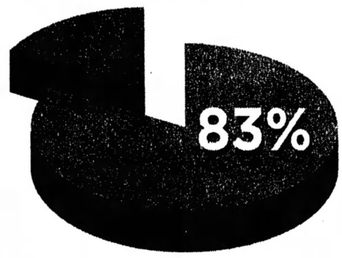

of new grads say **benefits** are their top priority in accepting a job.

Source: Yahoo! HotJobs college survey, May 2007

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FEATURES

CRAFT OF THE WEEK

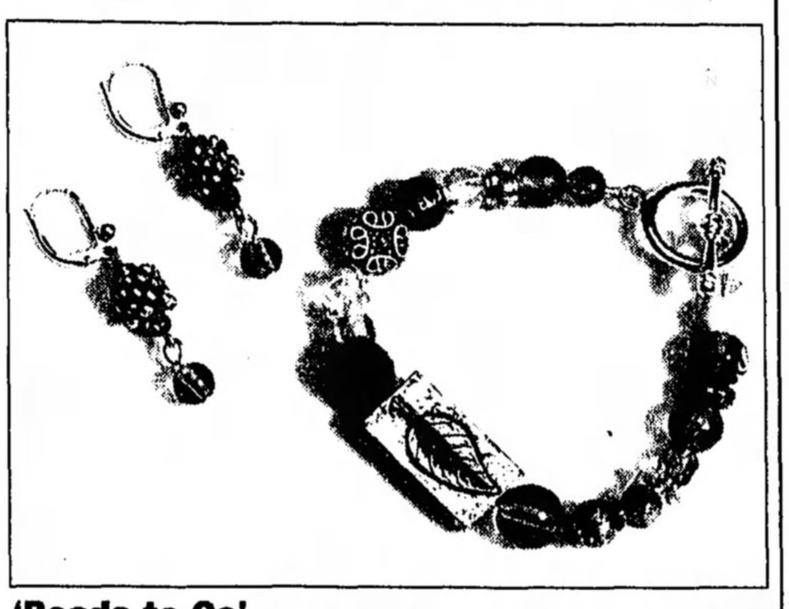
Guide assists passionate beaders

With projects limited only by imagination, beading is an exciting and easy way to add a little sparkle and style to your life. From trendy jewelry and fashion accessories to art pieces and home décor, beading is also a fun and easy way to turn an ordinary gift into something extra-special.

It's easy to get started with the help of a full-color, 128-page guidebook, "The Passionate Beader's Guide." The book features 36 fresh and fun beaded designs, from jewelry to decorating accessories to sparkling fashion statements. Each project includes a materials list, a list of required tools, illustrated step-by-step instructions, assembly diagrams (where necessary) and full-color photos.

If you're a beginner, a section of general instructions covers the basics. In addition, tips and techniques featured throughout the book will help you create quality pieces that you'll be proud to wear and share.

Jewelry designs include "Beads to Go" (pictured), "Pearl Appeal Necklace," "Peruvian Opal Bracelet," "Best Friends Bracelet," "Forget-Me-Not Necklace and Brooch" and 17 others. A selection of eight home décor projects includes a "Breezy Aqua Basket," a set of beaded wine glasses and a "Wine Bottle Cape" that transforms any bottle of wine into a stunning hostess gift. Six fashion accessory projects include beaded jeans, eyeglass cases and even cell phone cases.



'Beads to Go'

"The Passionate Beader's Guide," No. LA4329, is $19.95. If you're interested in beading and you don't know how to get started, "A Beginners Guide to Beading," No. LA1602, is available for $6.95. Please include $4 for postage and handling and allow about two weeks for delivery.

To order by mail, clip this article and send it with a check or money order to U-Bild Features, c/o *The Valley Independent*, 3800 Oceanic Drive, Ste. 107, Oceanside, CA 92056. To order by credit card, call 1-800-828-2453. Visit U-Bild on the Web at craftbook.com.

Seeking exports

Do you know of someone who once lived in the Mon Valley, but moved on to forge a life elsewhere?

Is that person involved in an interesting or successful career?

If so, we would like to hear from you. Your friend could be featured in Valley Exports.

To submit a name, call Joe Abramowitz at (724) 684-2634.

You also can email to jabramowitz@tribweb.com.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: A equals W

"SX ZNW ABYC CN KVV BY VYLBYIVPVL KOVTSVK, IVC WO BYL DNNH SY CRV JSPPNP." - XNPJVP

BONDDN BKCPNYBWC FNRY ZNWYI

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Learn the wisdom of compromise, for it is better to bend a little than to break." - H.G. Wells

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CALENDAR WATCH

Thursday

■ Informational meeting on impact of Marcellus Shale, sponsored by League of Women Voters of Washington County, Gander Mountain store, Crown Center Mall, West Chestnut Street, Washington, 7 p.m.

■ Bellmar High School Class of 1952 mini-reunion/75th birthday party, Hoss's Steak and Sea House, Rostraver Township, noon.

■ Flu clinic, sponsored by UMWA Health and Retirement Funds and Lungs at Work, (available to coal miners and spouses) Rostraver Central Fire Department, 1100 Fells Church Road, Rostraver Township, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

■ National Geographic Life presentation, Steve McCurry: Face to Face, California University Steel Hall Mainstage Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

■ St. John Altar Society of Perryopolis meeting, social center, 7:30 p.m.

■ "Bridge of Hope" Nar-Anon family group meeting, (for those who have been affected by drug abuse in a family member or friend) Fayette County Health Center, 100 New Salem Road, Uniontown, 7 p.m.

■ Overeaters Anonymous meeting, Mon Valley Community Health Center, Monessen, 7:30 p.m.

VALLEY GRAPEVINE

Halloween party set in Monessen

The Monessen Eagles will host a Halloween party Saturday with deejay Galiffa at 9:30 p.m.

Donora 1945 sets gathering

Donora High School Class of 1945 will have a gathering at Hoss's Steak and Sea House, Rostraver Township, 1 p.m. Thursday.

Angel Food signups set

The First Presbyterian Church, 609 Chess St., Monongahela is taking Angel Food Ministry food orders for the November pickup. Stop at the church from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 22, 27, 28, 29, Nov. 3, 4 or 5 for the Nov. 14 pickup. Orders can also be placed online at http://www.angelfoodministries.com/host.asp?id=12553 until Nov. 8. Each month's menu is different and assists in feeding a family of four for about a week or an individual for almost a month. Orders must be placed with cash, money order or debit card. There are no qualifications to order. For information, call (724) 258-8300.

Rotary plans benefit dinner

The Monessen Rostraver Rotary will hold its annual scholarship fundraiser 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at the Monessen High/Middle School cafeteria. The menu will comprise grilled steak or chicken salad, roll, dessert and beverage. Takeouts will be available.

Monongahela 1940 cancels luncheon

The Monongahela High School Class of 1940 reunion luncheon has been canceled. For information, call Francis Dutch at (724) 258-5087.

Roll sale set in Monessen

St. John the Divine Church, First Street and McKee Avenue, Monessen, will hold a nut, apricot, poppyseed and lekvar (prune) roll sale. Advance orders are requested. Rolls will be ready for Thanksgiving. Pickup will be from 10 a.m. to noon Nov. 12 or noon to 2 p.m. Dec. 12. Deadline for orders is Nov. 9. For information or to order, call (724) 684-9083 or (724) 684-4742.

Spaghetti dinner set in Lynnwood

A spaghetti dinner will be held 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Lynnwood Lutheran Church, 900 Washington Road, Washington Township. The church is handicap accessible. For takeouts, call (724) 929-4760. Bring your own container.

MVC 1967 sets gathering

Mon Valley Catholic High School Class of 1967 will celebrate its 60th birthday 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Hoss's Steak and Sea House, 148 Finley Road, Rostraver Township.

Urgent Health Alert

Researchers discover main ingredient in new diet pill produces legitimate weight loss

Shipments being rushed to Wal-Mart, Walgreens and local pharmacies to meet huge demand for powerful weight loss pill

(West Palm Beach, FL) Millions of doses have been sold, but demand for Cylapril increases every day. The rush to get the product comes from the clinical data that the products main ingredients are in fact effective in controlling weight gain, reducing stress and increasing energy. Some drugstores are reporting to be out of stock for Cylapril and phone lines have been flooded by dieters searching for a natural solution to their growing weight problems.

Adrenal Fatigue Warning Signs

- ☑ Weight gain (especially around middle)
- ☑ Cravings for sugar or salt
- ☑ Dependence on caffeine and energy drinks
- ☑ Trouble getting to sleep, restlessness
- ☑ Lack of energy in the morning
- ☑ Experiencing mid afternoon crashes

How does Adrenal Fatigue cause weight gain?

It affects 4 out of 5 people and most don't know they suffer from it. The adrenal system works as the control center for your body and regulates metabolism and energy production. Studies have shown that stress, nicotine and artificial stimulants like caffeine, reduce adrenal function. Weight problems and lack of energy are a direct result.

Clinical Results Proven

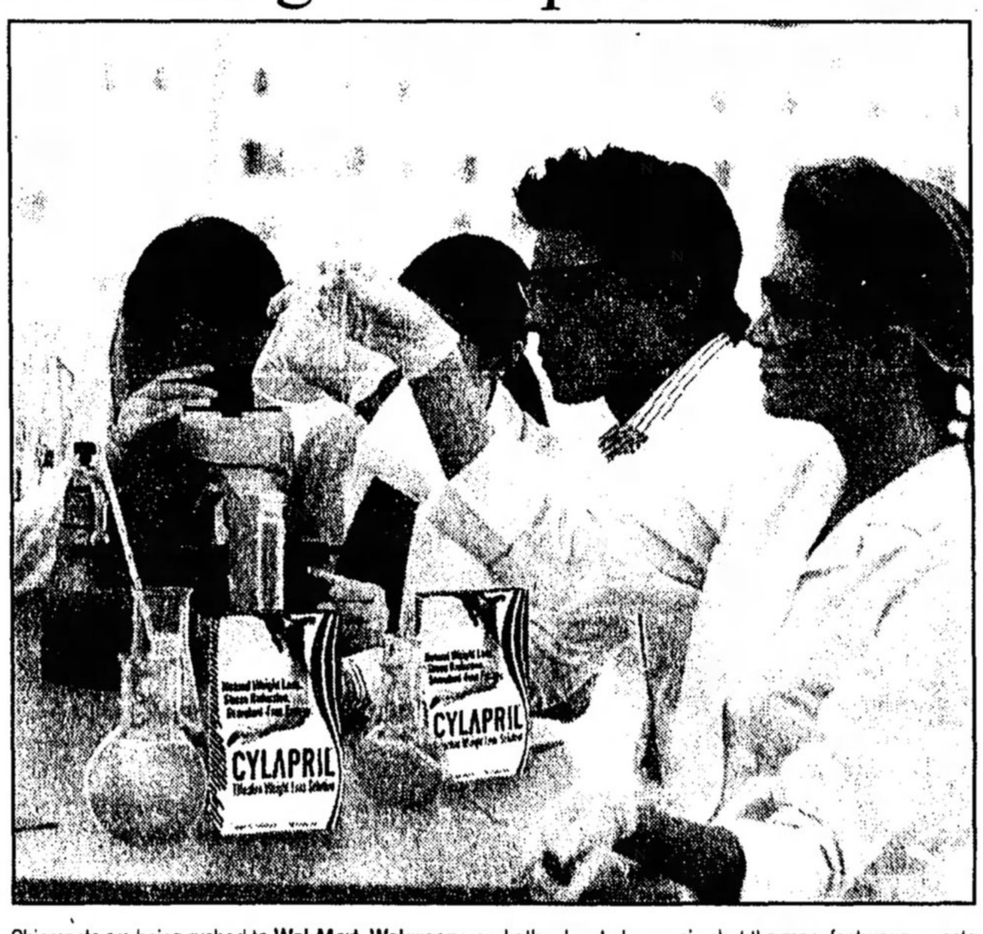
A clinical study conducted by Epel and colleagues (2001) included fifty-nine women who participated in both a stress session and a control session on different days. Higher levels of cortisol were found on the stress day where the subject consumed more calories compared to low stress days where the consumption of calories was less. These findings suggest that a high level of stress will cause you to eat more due to increased cortisol levels. According to the study, reducing cortisol levels through an enhancement of adrenal functioning (in the way that Cylapril does) would therefore decrease food intake and subsequently may help control weight gain. Cylapril exerts an anti-fatigue effect that increases natural energy, while also helping to suppress appetite because it produces a sense of fullness. Results indicate that with Cylapril, less calories are consumed due to a healthy decrease in appetite.

Adrenal Fatigue Institute formulates solution

Researchers worked with the Adrenal Fatigue Institute to develop Cylapril, a formula that will increase energy, decrease appetite and speed up weight loss. Dieters are seeing results quickly and are reporting to feel an increase in energy as early as the third day of use without changing their everyday routine. Brad Lubin, National Sales Manager at the Adrenal Fatigue Institute, says, "I can't believe the amount of orders we've taken for Cylapril in the last 30 days. Stores can't keep it in stock and we are all putting in extra hours to make sure its available to everyone that needs it".

Rushing shipments to meet demand

Stores are reporting that they can't stock product fast enough. The Adrenal Fatigue Institute is rushing shipments of Cylapril to **Wal-Mart, Walgreens** and other local pharmacies to meet demand. They have also created a toll free hotline, 1-888-309-1806. Because they know how important public awareness is about Adrenal Fatigue, they have developed a book explaining how it affects your stress levels and ability to control your weight. Call the hotline to receive a free copy while supplies last. The manufacturer wants to remind the public that inventory is extremely limited so its important to act fast before product goes on back order again.



Shipments are being rushed to **Wal-Mart, Walgreens** and other local pharmacies but the manufacturer suggests calling the toll free hotline, 1-888-309-1806 to avoid the wait in case the product goes on back order again.

To Get a FREE Bottle of Cylapril Call 1-888-309-1806

Local Retail Outlets - Currently **Wal-Mart, Walgreens** and other local pharmacies have Cylapril in stock but with demand soaring supplies are limited.

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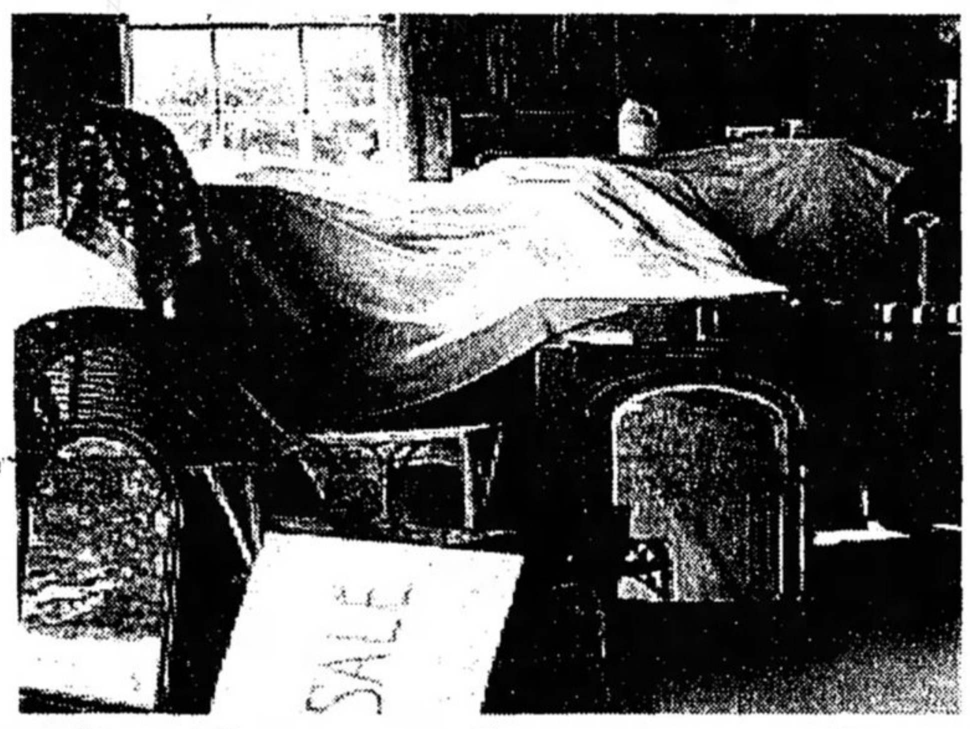

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Makovich, Richard J.
ESTATE NOTICE

Letters of Administration on the Estate of Richard J. Makovich, late of Perryopolis Borough, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, deceased, having been granted by the Register of Wills of Fayette County, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same present them without delay to:

Richard C. Makovich,
Administrator
230 Allison Street
West Newton, Pennsylvania 15089

Alan Benyak, Esquire
401 Sixth Street at
Washington Avenue
Post Office Box 1
Charleroi, Pennsylvania 15022
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Nasal, Evelyn
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The Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary in the Estate of Evelyn Nasal, late of Monessen, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. All persons having claims or demands against said Estate are requested to present the same without delay. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the Executrix or her attorney.

Gail Reese
Executrix
600 Circle Drive
Belle Vernon, PA 15012

Shire Law Firm
Attorney
1295 Grand Blvd.
Suite 103, Grand Plaza
Monessen, PA 15062
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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, at their next regular meeting to be held at 1390 Fayette Avenue, Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania 15012, on November 18, 2009 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. shall adopt an ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE.

The purpose of the Ordinance is to improve the health, safety and general welfare of the residents of the community by adopting an Ordinance which will provide for the control of certain types of animals, and require owners of animals to maintain sanitary control of the excrement from animals in accordance with the Ordinance.

The Ordinance provides for penalties for violation of the Ordinance and specifically identifies the responsibilities for enforcement of the Ordinance.

The Ordinance shall be enforced before the local district judge in accordance with the Ordinance enacted and the Dog Law of Pennsylvania.

A copy of the Ordinance may be examined at the Office of the Washington Township Supervisors located at 1390 Fayette Avenue, Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania 15012, Monday through Friday between the normal business hours from 8:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.

Washington Township Supervisors

Amy B. Naulty, Secretary
724-929-6333
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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, at their next regular meeting to be held at 1390 Fayette Avenue, Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania 15012, on November 18, 2009 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. will enact an Ordinance providing for the following:

An Ordinance providing for the health and welfare of the citizens of Washington Township and regulating the accumulation, collection and disposal of solid waste.

The Ordinance includes definitions of terms, establishes responsibility for the property owners and citizens, covers unlawful waste and provides standards and regulations for storage, collection and disposal of solid waste. The Ordinance provides that business establishments can execute individual contracts for the collection of solid waste using special bins or dumpsters for business entities.

The Ordinance establishes powers of the Township Code Officer and provides penalties for failure to comply.

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If you feel your child may be in need of services, call or contact the Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Early Intervention Office for more information or to request a screening. Free screenings are conducted on an ongoing basis at a time and location agreeable to family and early intervention staff. The screening will include a review of the child's developmental areas. Based on the results of the screening a more in-depth evaluation may be recommended to determine the child's need for services and how that need can best be met. All information is considered confidential.

For more information or to request a screening, call the Early Intervention Office at 724-836-2460 or 1-800-327-9487 or write Early Intervention Office at Westmoreland Intermediate Unit, 102 Equity Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601.
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You're likely to have far better earning potential in the year ahead, but it will still take prudent resource management to put you ahead in life. Don't let those extra bucks burn a hole in your pocket.

LIBRA(**Sept. 23-Oct. 23**) -- If you see others aren't receptive to your ideas, there's likely to be something wrong with your presentation. They might feel you're forcing your views on them or think the ideas are a bit strange.

SCORPIO(**Oct. 24-Nov. 22**) -- Before you pass along information about what you think you know, be sure that you have the facts straight. You might be harboring misconceptions.

SAGITTARIUS(**Nov. 23-Dec. 21**) -- Monies upon which you're counting may unexpectedly run into a snag and be withheld. Until the funds are safely in your bank account, don't consider anything a fait accompli.

CAPRICORN(**Dec. 22-Jan. 19**) -- Do not ignore your better judgment and go blindly along with someone who is undependable or ill informed. There's no reason to think this person has things right this time.

AQUARIUS(**Jan. 20-Feb. 19**) -- Any irresponsible habits are likely to catch up with you. Unfortunately, that closet where you've been stuffing all those unfinished jobs might finally give way.

PISCES(**Feb. 20-March 20**) -- Selecting the wrong companion could force you to explain your way out of a complicated situation. Be more discriminating.

ARIES(**March 21-April 19**) -- Unless your objectives are clearly defined, you can expect to get off to a bad start that will take you no place fast. Once this happens, it could be difficult to get back on track.

TAURUS(**April 20-May 20**) -- Keep your ego out of the picture, and don't be afraid to ask questions about things you don't understand, especially with regard to a critical assignment. Play it smart.

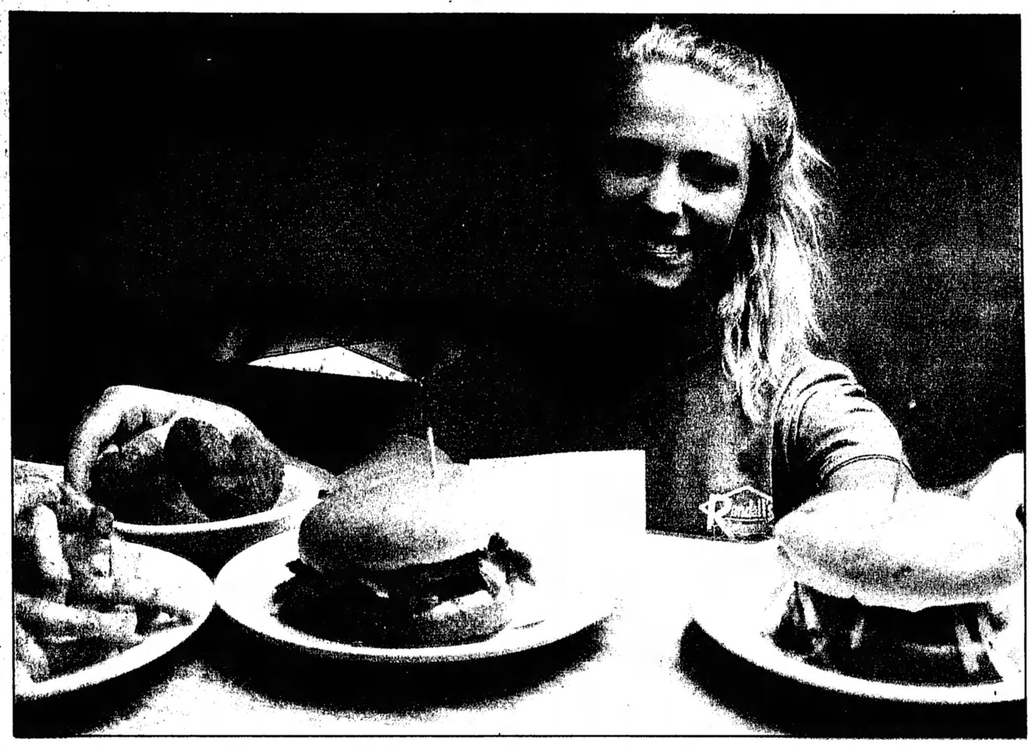
GEMINI(**May 21-June 20**) -- Avoid anything to do with buying or selling if you can. It will not be one of your better days for doing either because in each instance, your thinking is likely to be off track.

CANCER(**June 21-July 22**) -- Don't ask just anyone for advice on something important to you. You'll get plenty of suggestions, but if you act on one and it turns out badly, it will compound your problems even further.

LEO(**July 23-Aug. 22**) -- Leave plenty of room for repair, because if your methods are too firmly structured and you run into a problem, there will be no room left to patch things up.

VIRGO(**Aug. 23-Sept. 22**) -- If you don't have the patience to listen closely to what a good friend is saying, a misunderstanding is likely to occur. Sadly, it will be difficult to patch things up.

RANDALL'S RESTAURANT



Kelsey Jeffries offers service with a smile at Randall's Restaurant. The business has been part of Perryopolis for more than 50 years.

Jim Ference/ The Valley Independent

Menu filled with Slovak favorites

Loyal customers flock to the Perryopolis restaurant.

By JEFF PIKULSKY
Staff Writer
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PERRYOPOLIS — The transition from computer programmer to restaurant manager came quickly for Tom Havadich.

The 44-year-old Belle Vernon resident was on vacation in New Jersey with his family 22 years ago, when his aunt and uncle, Helen and Randall Evans, of Belle Vernon, mentioned that the family restaurant would soon be up for sale.

Helen and Randall Evans had run Randall's Restaurant in Perryopolis since the early 1950s.

"I was in Philadelphia, I worked for Mellon Bank and my sister was in Reading," Havadich said. "The whole family vacationed together and everybody was at the beach. My aunt and uncle mentioned that they were selling the restaurant. At that time, my dad got sick and I was coming back to see my dad so I told my sister, 'Why don't we buy the restaurant?'"

Valley Survivors

This weekly feature honors a "Valley Survivor" — one of the many Mid-Mon Valley businesses, organizations and institutions that began when the local economy was booming, survived the financial havoc created by the decline of the domestic steel industry and remain viable today.

Havadich and his older sister, Beth Berkebile, a former music teacher, decided to become partners.

Berkebile financed the purchase of the restaurant and the siblings began running it as it had been for years.

The two Perryopolis natives had been visible at the restaurant since they were children.

"We pretty much grew up down here," Havadich said.

Shortly after they began running the restaurant, Havadich and Berkebile decided to make more room for the steady flow of customers that continued to frequent the popular eatery along Route 51.

In 1989, they expanded the kitchen and dining room areas.

What remained untouched was the variety of home-cooked Slovak recipes originally featured at the restaurant by their grandmother, Anna Moxin, the quick service and the affordable meals that have long been staples at Randall's Restaurant.

"She pretty much cooked everything," Havadich said of Moxin. "We're a hunky family. Everybody could cook. My grandmother would make dinner for 20 people with one little four-burner and everything was hot.

"We kept the staples, the cabbage rolls and cream chicken. We have ham loaf. That's something we've added, and the Sunday specials. We've never changed. We've added but we've never taken off. Everything is made here. The only thing we bring in is the bread."

Jeff Pikulsky/The Valley Independent

Randall's Restaurant co-owner Tom Havadich, right, and employee Sergey Berkebile, son of co-owner Beth Berkebile, have been part of the restaurant's operation for years.

Referring to special orders, Havadich said, "We'll accommodate anything."

Havadich handles day-to-day operations and Berkebile takes care of finances.

The two split time running the restaurant.

Every Wednesday, they work together.

"There are a few nights we have a girl that works for us. But from Thursday through Sunday, one of us are here," Havadich said.

Havadich said he and his sister first thought they could run the business as a second job.

They quickly realized how demanding it was to run the busy business.

"It's just gotten to the point that it's tied up a lot of work," Havadich said. "I can be tough, but I don't mind it. I like coming in. I've met a lot of people. I can't go anywhere without knowing someone.

"It's friendly. I know pretty much everybody that's in here. We're close with everybody."

Havadich said he is grateful for loyal customers.

"We have people that come in, have breakfast and then come back for dinner every day," he said. "The majority of our business comes from the Valley. Sometimes, people see cars outside, so they stop.

"We've really been lucky. We've been lucky with our help. A lot of these girls have been here longer than I have."

Local high school students working year-round contribute to the 40-employee work force.

"We're very flexible with the kids," Havadich said.

Berkebile's children, Sergey and Kayta, work at the business. Berkebile adopted them from Russia 15 years ago.

Havadich said they one day could take over the business.

The formula for sustained success at Randall's Restaurant is simple, Havadich said.

"I think it is quality and service. That's the two most important things," he said with a smile.

Randall's Restaurant is open from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day.

It can be reached at (724) 736-8995.

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Employee Michelle Prokopovitch whips up an order on the Randall's Restaurant grill.

Coke plant to stay idle

Spokesman for ArcelorMittal says recall not imminent.

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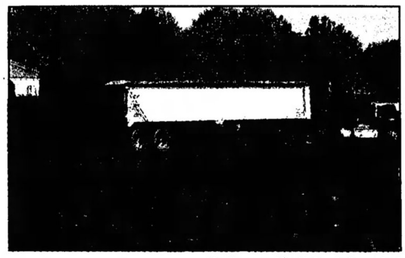
With the global steel industry rebounding after a disastrous nine months, depleted inventories need to be replenished, which should bode well in 2010 for steelmakers and coal, coke and iron ore suppliers, industry experts said recently.

Predictions by the World Steel Association indicate that the steel industry will have a healthy 2010, U.S. Steel Corp. CEO John Surma said at the Met Coke World Summit at the Pittsburgh Hilton Hotel, Downtown last week. The trade association anticipates global steel demand will grow next year by about 9 percent to the level of 2008.

That positive outlook likely won't have an imminent impact on the idled coke plant in Monessen.

ArcelorMittal spokesman Adam Warrington, in an e-mail to *The Valley Independent* Tuesday, said, said "There are no updates regarding our Monessen facility at this time." He had responded to inquires from the newspaper whether improvements in the steel industry would signal the recall of about 150 employees laid off this summer from the local plant.



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A truck loads coke near the ArcelorMittal plant in Monessen.

ArcelorMittal purchased the Monessen coke operations from Koppers for $160 million in August 2008.

ArcelorMittal had been buying all of the Monessen plant's annual production of 320,000 metric tons of coke. ArcelorMittal said at the time that the acquisition was a step toward increasing its self-sufficiency in coke production.

The coke plant was originally built by Pittsburgh Steel, which merged with Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel in 1968.

Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel shut down the Monessen operations in 1986.

Sharon Steel purchased the idled coke plant in 1988 and operated it until 1995, when it sold the plant to Koppers for $5 million. Koppers spent an estimated $13 million in repairs and updates to the plant.

Although there is no change in the local steel production, the outlook is more promising nationwide.

Inventories at steel industry service centers are at historic low levels, Surma said. The industry's operating rate at the beginning of the month was just below 60 percent of capacity, down from 77 percent at the same time in 2008. The current production rate is not sufficient to meet the growing demand for steel, Surma said.

Demand for coke and coal has been robust in Asia, particularly in China and India, Surma said. The U.S. Steel chief, who just returned from an industry conference in China this week, said he sees no indication that China's "extraordinary increase in steel consumption" will slow in the near future.

"The economic environment suggests that 2010 will be a better year," as more steelmaking capacity is put into production, said Becky E. Hites, managing partner for World Steel Dynamics, an Englewood Cliffs, N.J., consulting firm.

The production of coke, made by burning metallurgical coal and used as a fuel in steel mill blast furnaces, should increase to between 25 million and 28 million tons in 2010, from the projected 15 million tons this year, said Ronnie Cecil, senior consultant on steelmaking costs and raw materials for CRU, a London-based consulting firm that has an office in Pittsburgh.

Higher demand could bring an increase in coke prices to between $200 and $250 a ton next year, Cecil said. But the market and price for metallurgical coal will be affected by what China does with a 40 percent duty it placed on its exports, Cecil said. That has boosted the price of Chinese coking coal to more than $350 a ton, thus limiting its demand on the international market, Cecil said.

"We think met coal is certainly the 'choke point' of the steel industry around the world," rather than iron ore or other raw materials, said Joseph Carrabba, CEO of Cliffs Natural Resources Inc., a Cleveland-based owner and operator of iron ore and metallurgical coal mines. Steel-producing countries such as India, China and Brazil are short on metallurgical coal, Carrabba noted.

While predicting that 2010 will be a year of recovery, no one should get "too euphoric" because "the economies we are dealing with are fragile," Carrabba said. He is "cautiously optimistic," waiting to see if the economic rebound will falter when the "stimulus bubble" bursts.

The improvement in the global outlook for metallurgical coal is good news for PBS Coals Inc. in Somerset County, which produces between 1.4 million tons and 2 million tons of metallurgical coal annually. It is projecting a better year in 2010 and expects to hire more workers in the next few years, said Hanke Parke, business development director for PBS of Friedens.

The company, which operates 12 mines in Somerset County with 600 employees, sells its coal around the world, Parke said.

Staff writer Chris Buckley contributed to this story.

Stanley Povich receives an Extended Service Award from Sandra Bartosiewicz, president of the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association.

Povich honored

Stanley Povich of the Mon Valley Sewage Authority has received an Extended Service Award from the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association.

The award is presented to Association members with 30 or more years of service to a municipal authority. Povich has served the Mon Valley Sewage Authority during this tenure as Board Member and Chairman.

The award was presented during PMAA's annual conference awards banquet, held recently at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, Pa.

The Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association is a Harrisburg-based organization representing the interests of nearly 2,500 municipal authorities across the Commonwealth.

Clergy Appreciation Month

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The Valley Independent will honor religious leaders in our monthly feature Jubilation on October 31st.

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Your Financial Future

Don't celebrate market milestone

Gary BOATMAN

There was euphoria on Wall Street when the Dow closed above 10,000. Traders celebrated and it was like happy days are here again.

The Dow first reached 10,000 on March 29, 1999, during the rally that ended with the dot-com bust. Today, like then, people thought the only direction was up.

What this basically means is if you purchased a basket of the Dow stocks 10 years ago, you have earned a zero percent return. Actually it would be negative because of the cost involved. You would have gotten a better return out of passbook savings.

Let's look at some financial facts from 10 years ago.

The national debt in 1999 was $5.656 trillion. Today, it stands at $11.909 trillion. This means taxes will have to go up, which will have an effect on corporate profits and household spending.

The richest person in the country during both time periods was Bill Gates. In 1999, he was worth $90 billion. Today, he must get by on $50 billion. Part of this is because Microsoft had the biggest market capitalization value of $452.33 billion in 1999. Today, ExxonMobil has the largest at $335.2 billion. National health expenditures 10 years ago were $9.125 trillion or 13.9 percent of our gross domestic product. Today, they are $14.26 billion and 17.9 percent of GDP. The word has certainly changed the past 10 years.

This indicates that you should consider the stock market as one part of a financial plan and not the only investment strategy. You need diversification of asset classes to produce steady returns and help reduce volatility.

Your portfolio should allow you to get a good night's sleep and not feel pressured.

When we hear economists talking, they often mention leading and lagging economic indicators. Leading indicators are supposed to help predict what is going to happen next in the economy. Lagging indicators are a reflection of what has already happened.

The unemployment rate has historically been viewed as a lagging indicator. Some economists are now starting to view this as incorrect. The reason this is important to you is so that you can get a reading on what direction the economy is moving.

Those who believe it is still a lagging indicator believe our record high unemployment rate is just a natural result of the tough economic time we are in. The economists who think it is now a leading indicator are concerned that two-thirds of the US economy is consumer spending.

With 15 million unemployed people, this spending will have a hard time increasing until these people get jobs. Credit will remain tight and there will be continued pressure on housing. These economists believe we will not have a signal that the economy is improving until companies start re-hiring at a significant rate.

Next week, we will look at some retirement myths.

Gary Boatman, a local businessman who serves as president of the Greater Monessen Chamber of Commerce, is a certified financial planner.

Not all is lost on the T-Mobile Sidekick

NEW YORK (AP) — T-Mobile Sidekick phones that lost the information stored on them now can at least get the contact lists back.

Phone numbers, photos and other personal data started disappearing from Sidekick phones a week and half ago, because of a breakdown of servers run by Microsoft Corp., which owns the Sidekick maker and runs its data services.

Now Microsoft has a partial save in this embarrassing mishap. It said Tuesday that Sidekick owners can use a recovery tool on T-Mobile's Web site.

The tool will only restore contacts, but Microsoft is working on also retrieving photos, notes, to-do lists, high scores in video games and other data.

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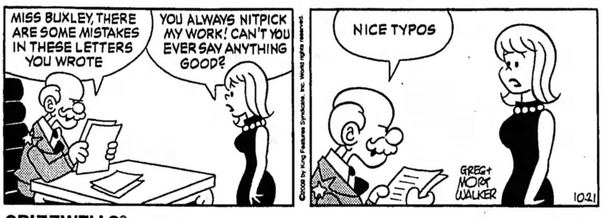

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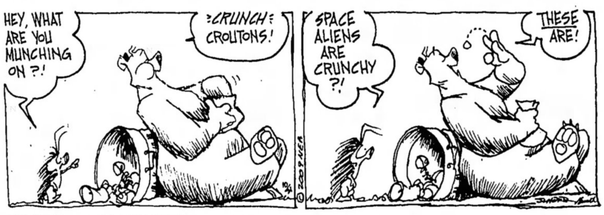

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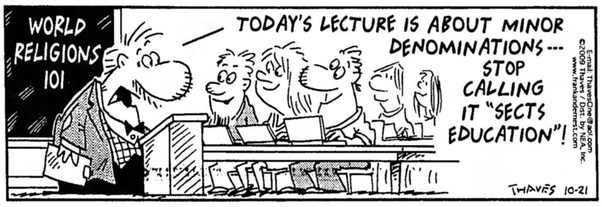

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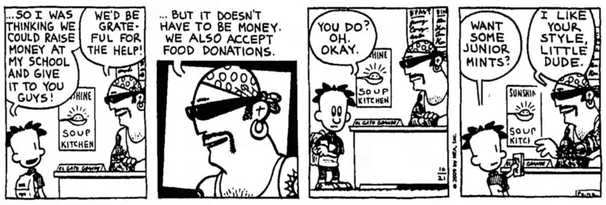

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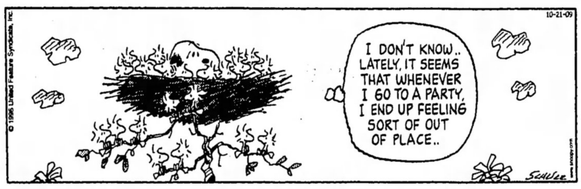

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"Why does this finger keep forgettin' to grow as much as the rest?"

SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

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Difficulty Level ★★★ 10/21

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Answer to previous puzzle

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9	6	4	1	8	2	5	3	7

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ACROSS

1 Polite barks
6 Country parsons
12 "1984" author
14 Planet courses
15 Flour infester
16 Bizet opera
17 Eco-friendly feds
18 Santa — winds
19 British title
21 Mr. Gibson
23 LP spinners
26 Disguise item
27 Office machine
28 Florida port
30 Down under bird
31 NASA counterpart
32 Gave medicine
33 Meager
35 Vaccine amts.
37 Buddy
38 Doctrine
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40 Prior to
41 Scrap o cloth
42 Heavy weight
43 Former Jrs.
44 Festive night
46 — -Wan Kenobi
48 Wrote
51 More recent
55 Gave an address
56 It turns litmus blue
57 Stylus
58 Cause-and-effect law

DOWN

1 Dazzle
2 Vein contents
3 Have bills to pay
4 Peggy Lee tune
5 Slide
6 Out loud
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9 Intend
10 Road map no.
11 Tax-form ID
13 Andes ruminants
19 Coy smile
20 Big lizard
22 — knife (hobby tool)
24 Red-colored quartz
25 Blurs, as ink
26 Frontier, once
27 Inch multiples
28 Dept. store inventory
29 Laid off
34 College board
36 Kind of cooking oil
42 Lingerie buy
43 Alaskan town
45 Plunging necklines
47 Refuse to proceed
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49 Make a mistake
50 Glasgow turndown
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53 House shader
54 Estuary

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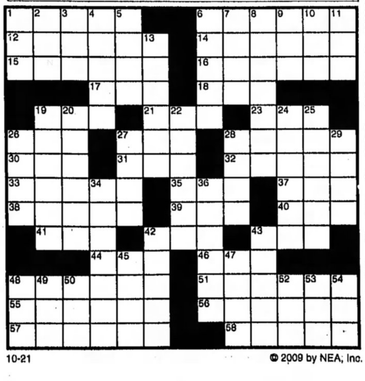

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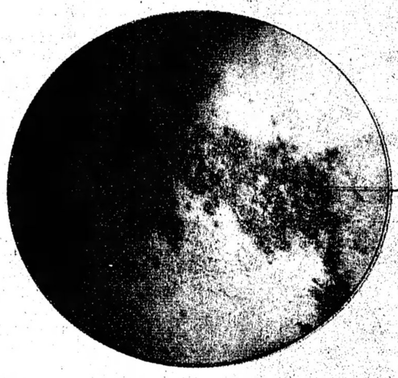

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IF YOU HAD CHICKENPOX AS A CHILD, YOU COULD GET SHINGLES NOW.

The chickenpox virus is still in your body.
It can resurface as Shingles, a painful, blistering rash. The Shingles rash usually lasts up to 30 days, and for most the pain lessens as the rash heals. But some people who develop Shingles experience long-term pain that can last for months, even years.

ZOSTAVAX is a vaccine that can help prevent Shingles.
ZOSTAVAX is used to prevent Shingles in adults 60 years of age or older. Once you reach age 60, the sooner you get vaccinated, the better your chances of protecting yourself from Shingles. ZOSTAVAX is given as a single shot. ZOSTAVAX cannot be used to treat Shingles, or the nerve pain that may follow Shingles, once you have it. Talk to your health care professional to see if ZOSTAVAX is right for you.

Important Safety Information
ZOSTAVAX may not fully protect everyone who gets the vaccine. You should not get ZOSTAVAX if you are allergic to any of its ingredients, including gelatin and neomycin, have a weakened immune system, take high doses of steroids, or are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. Possible side effects include redness, pain, itching, swelling, warmth, or bruising at the injection site, as well as headache. You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch or call 1-800-FDA-1088. Before getting vaccinated, talk to your health care professional about situations you may need to avoid after getting ZOSTAVAX. Please see the Patient Product Information below.

Before you get Shingles, ask about ZOSTAVAX.

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You should read this summary of information about ZOSTAVAX[1] before you are vaccinated. If you have any questions about ZOSTAVAX after reading this leaflet, you should ask your health care provider. This information does not take the place of talking about ZOSTAVAX with your doctor, nurse, or other health care provider. Only your health care provider can decide if ZOSTAVAX is right for you.

What is ZOSTAVAX and how does it work?
ZOSTAVAX is a vaccine that is used for adults 60 years of age or older to prevent shingles (also known as zoster).

ZOSTAVAX contains a weakened chickenpox virus (varicella-zoster virus).

ZOSTAVAX works by helping your immune system protect you from getting shingles. If you do get shingles even though you have been vaccinated, ZOSTAVAX may help prevent the nerve pain that can follow shingles in some people.

ZOSTAVAX may not protect everyone who gets the vaccine. ZOSTAVAX cannot be used to treat shingles once you have it.

What do I need to know about shingles and the virus that causes it?
Shingles is caused by the same virus that causes chickenpox. Once you have had chickenpox, the virus can stay in your nervous system for many years. For reasons that are not fully understood, the virus may become active again and give you shingles. Age and problems with the immune system may increase your chances of getting shingles.

Shingles is a rash that is usually on one side of the body. The rash begins as a cluster of small red spots that often blister. The rash can be painful. Shingles rashes usually last up to 30 days and, for most people, the pain associated with the rash lessens as it heals.

Who should not get ZOSTAVAX?
You should not get ZOSTAVAX if you:
- are allergic to any of its ingredients.
- are allergic to gelatin or neomycin.
- have a weakened immune system (for example, an immune deficiency, leukemia, lymphoma, or HIV/AIDS).
- take high doses of steroids by injection or by mouth.
- are pregnant or plan to get pregnant.

You should not get ZOSTAVAX to prevent chickenpox.

Children should not get ZOSTAVAX.

How is ZOSTAVAX given?
ZOSTAVAX is given as a single dose by injection under the skin.

What should I tell my health care provider before I get ZOSTAVAX?
You should tell your health care provider if you:
- have or have had any medical problems.
- take any medicines, including nonprescription medicines, and dietary supplements.
- have any allergies, including allergies to neomycin or gelatin.
- had an allergic reaction to another vaccine.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.
- are breast-feeding.

Tell your health care provider if you expect to be in close contact (including household contact) with newborn infants, someone who may be pregnant and has not had chickenpox or been vaccinated against chickenpox, or someone who has problems with their immune system. Your health care provider can tell you what situations you may need to avoid.

What are the possible side effects of ZOSTAVAX?
The most common side effects that people in the clinical studies reported after receiving the vaccine include:
- redness, pain, itching, swelling, warmth, or bruising where the shot was given.
- headache.

The following additional side effects have been reported in general use with ZOSTAVAX:
- allergic reactions, which may be serious and may include difficulty in breathing or swallowing. If you have an allergic reaction, call your doctor right away.
- fever
- hives at the injection site
- joint pain
- muscle pain
- rash
- rash at the injection site
- swollen glands near the injection site (that may last a few days to a few weeks)

Tell your health care provider if you have any new or unusual symptoms after you receive ZOSTAVAX.

What are the ingredients of ZOSTAVAX?
Active Ingredient: a weakened form of the varicella-zoster virus.

Inactive Ingredients: sucrose, hydrolyzed porcine gelatin, sodium chloride, monosodium L-glutamate, sodium phosphate dibasic, potassium phosphate monobasic, potassium chloride.

What else should I know about ZOSTAVAX?
Vaccinees and their health care providers are encouraged to call (800) 986-8999 to report any exposure to ZOSTAVAX during pregnancy.

This leaflet summarizes important information about ZOSTAVAX.

If you would like more information, talk to your health care provider or visit the website at www.ZOSTAVAX.com or call 1-800-622-4477.

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